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Dear Councillor

**MEETING OF COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER 2020**

You are requested to attend the meeting of the Council to be held Remotely on Tuesday, 8 December 2020 at 4.00 pm

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely



Parveen Akhtar  
City Solicitor

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## AGENDA

### A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

#### 1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of the Constitution)

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

*Notes:*

- (1) *Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.*
- (2) *Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.*
- (3) *Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.*
- (4) *Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.*

#### 2. MINUTES

**Recommended –**

**That the minutes of the budget meeting held on 20 February and the extraordinary meetings held on 8 September and 24 November 2020 be signed as a correct record.**

(Adrian Tumber – 07970 412150)

**3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**4. WRITTEN ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LORD MAYOR  
(Standing Order 4)**

*(To be circulated before the meeting).*

**5. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS**

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director whose name is shown on the front page of the report.

If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting.

Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Adrian Tumber – 07970 412150)

**B. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**6. PETITIONS (Standing Order 11)**

To consider up to three requests for the Council to receive petitions in accordance with Standing Orders.

**Ward**

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|------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (i)  | Keighley's Carnegie Library           | <b><u>KeighleyCentral</u></b> |
| (ii) | Damage to village open space, Menston | <b><u>Wharfedale</u></b>      |

Please note that as the Keighley Carnegie Library petition has over 1500 signatures there will be a debate if it can be facilitated in the remote meeting.

(Tracey Sugden - 07970 411941)

**7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (Standing Order 13)**

There are no public questions.

(Tracey Sugden – 07970 411941)

**8. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND JOINT COMMITTEES  
(Standing Order 4)**

To consider any requests (i) to appoint members to a Committee or a Joint Committee; or (ii) to appoint Chairs or Deputy Chairs of Committees (excluding Area Committees).

**9. REPORT OF THE LEADER OF COUNCIL**

A written report by the Leader of Council giving an update on key issues has been circulated in advance of the meeting. There shall be a period of up to 15 minutes during which any Member of Council may ask the Leader of the Council (or a Member of the Council nominated by the Leader) a question on any matter arising out of the written report.

**10. MEMBER QUESTION TIME (Standing Order 12)**

To deal with supplementary questions to the Leader of Council and portfolio holders providing advance notice has been given by the Member asking the supplementary question by 1000am on Monday 7 December arising from the attached questions of which written notice has been given.

*Notes:*

(i) *Answers to written questions shall be circulated to Members on Friday 4 December.*

(ii) *A period of up to 30 minutes shall be available for supplementary questions to Members of the Executive.*

**1. Councillor Carol Thirkill**

The fire that raged in Bradford next to the railway line was enormous and caused considerable distress to residents and businesses nearby. Please can you tell us a history of the site and how this happened?

**2. Councillor Jackie Whiteley**

Given that The High Court judgement of June 2020 regarding building on Green Belt in Guiseley - ref Aireborough CO/3279/2019 ruled that Leeds City Council had acted illegally in allowing planning permission to build on Green Belt, can the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning and Transport, please advise of the implications this has for Green Belt Planning permissions in Bradford and clarify why this wasn't included in the Inspector's notes for the Sun Lane Enquiry given that the challenge was first heard in February 2020?

**3. Councillor Jeanette Sunderland**

How many Council owned, rented, or let premises are not fully accessible?

**4. Councillor Martin Love**

Can the Leader of Council tell us how many £10,000k Covid-19 business grants have the council paid to political associations or political parties, how many have been returned and which recipients have kept the grant?

**5. Councillor Richard Dunbar**

Would the Leader agree with me that Government freezing pay for teachers, early years workers, support staff, youth workers and other key workers is an insult considering the pivotal work they play and especially during this pandemic?

**6. Councillor Richard Dunbar**

Lockdown has provided victims of domestic abuse additional worrying challenges. How have we responded as a district during this crisis to best support victims and survivors?

**7. Councillor John Pennington**

Further to a deplorable, violent incident in City Park, when several youths were arrested approximately 20 months ago, could the Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhoods & Community Safety, update members on what action has been taken in relation to Council Warden Training etc, to improve responses to such incidents and can the Portfolio Holder inform members of whether he considers it conducive to improving public safety, that no prosecutions have yet taken place?

**8. Councillor Richard Dunbar**

The launch of the Bradford Music Network is very much welcomed. Can the Portfolio Holder explain how this will be developed and anticipated outcomes?

**9. Councillor Richard Dunbar**

Can we have an outline of how our children in care have been supported through this pandemic and are there gaps in support which need filling?

**10. Councillor Russell Brown**

Could the Portfolio Holder for Education, Employment and Skills, advise colleagues of; the reason for using paper based School Admission Appeals in the first instance, rather than telephone conferences during lockdown, whether this caused an unnecessary delay, the number of outstanding school admission appeals there are across the Bradford District, what action is Bradford Council taking to resolve any outstanding appeals and when will they be completed?

**11. Councillor Ralph Berry**

In the light of the welcome decision by the High Court that the Education Secretary acted unlawfully by failing to consult on the

extensive reduction of protections for vulnerable children, a move which the Council rightly declined to go along with, can the Leader and portfolio holder now add this council's voice to apply pressure for the full restoration of the statutory protections for vulnerable children in England and affirm that the pandemic is not reason to remove protection for children?

**12. Councillor Jeanette Sunderland**

There are 4795 people with impaired mobility living in unsuitable accommodation and residents require 9100 wheelchair adapted homes in the next five years. What plans does the Portfolio Holder have to ensure we meet the housing needs of these residents?

**13. Councillor Ralph Berry**

We all agree on the importance of regular school attendance for children's learning and achievement. However in these exceptional times I know of parents who are fearful of their children being in school because they or a family member they live with has a substantially increased risk from the virus, being classified as Clinically Extremely Vulnerable by Government because of a pre-existing health condition. Can the portfolio holder reassure me that schools are working constructively with families in this position who are concerned about school-based learning?

**14. Councillor Kyle Green**

Could the Leader of the Council confirm what policies are in place for Water Safety Management within the District and when these documents were created?

**15. Councillor Taj Salam**

I'm aware that we've been investing in active travel during the pandemic to support our climate emergency work and healthier lifestyles. Will the portfolio holder give an update on the cycling and walking schemes we have been putting in place?

**16. Councillor Nazam Azam**

One impact of the pandemic has been an increase in demand for children's social care services. Will the portfolio holder outline what actions we've taken to meet this demand and ensure high standards of provision?

**17. Councillor Dale Smith**

Could the Portfolio Holder for Education, Employment and Skills Portfolio confirm what contingency plans are in place to ensure that in any future lockdown, a more consistent educational provision will be provided to children across the district?

**18. Councillor David Warburton**

As a Group we are clear that investing in skills and jobs will be vital for the district coming out of Covid – can the portfolio holder tell me about our plans to support residents' skills?

**19. Councillor Rosie Watson**

I am proud that as a Labour led council we've invested in laptops and other support for children's home learning but we all remain concerned about the digital divide. What more are we doing to address this divide in Bradford?

**20. Councillor Jeanette Sunderland**

The Prime Minister has announced that he is to bring forward from 2040 to 2030 a ban on sales of petrol and diesel cars. What plans does the Portfolio Holder have to ensure that households without their own driveways, who will have to rely heavily on private car parks and charges in places such as supermarket car parks, will be able to access enough chargers or is he considering a plan to restrict the numbers of cars per household?

**21. Councillor Shakeela Lal**

Can the portfolio holder update us on what plans we have in place to continue our support for children facing holiday hunger?

**22. Councillor Debbie Davies**

Would the Regeneration, Planning and Transport Portfolio Holder, make available to the public, copies of (including dates) any maintenance inspections undertaken during the past 5 years, on Buck Lane footbridge and can he reassure us that in future it will be properly maintained, in order that it is only closed whilst repairs are carried out rather than as at present, being closed for months whilst no work is going on?

**23. Councillor Aneela Ahmed**

Can the Leader tell us what actions the council is taking to dispel harmful myths and conspiracy theories about Covid-19, which obstruct our efforts to stop the spread of the virus and save lives?

**24. Councillor Martin Love**

Can the Leader of Council tell us when were the Council first made aware of the huge tyre dump on the former go-kart site in East Bowling and what action was taken against the landowner and operator between then and the devastating fire? Also, is the Council aware of any other such sites in the district and if so, where?

**25. Councillor David Warburton**

Do we have an update on our campaign for a Bradford city centre stop on Northern Powerhouse Rail?

**26. Councillor Geoff Winnard**

Could the Leader of the Council confirm the overall cost of postage and the printing of the recent letter that was distributed to all households, about the nationally determined COVID-19 lockdown restrictions?

**27. Councillor Nazam Azam**

How are our plans for the new city centre market progressing in spite of the challenges of Covid-19?

**28. Councillor Vanda Greenwood**

Does the Leader join me in thanking volunteers and community centres across our district who have supported their vulnerable neighbours throughout lockdown and this public health crisis?

**29. Councillor Susan Knox**

To the Leader of Council. What additional action is being taken to address the backlog of 1,651 outstanding enforcement cases? Please give answers for each department of the Council concerned?

**30. Councillor Rizwana Jamil**

Does the Leader share my concern that the Spending Review shows the government continues to put the onus on the council taxpayer to meet funding shortfalls caused by a decade of cuts?

**31. Councillor Jackie Whiteley**

Further to the Government bringing forward its deadline to stop the sale of petrol and diesel cars, could the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning and Transport, commit to the acceleration of the provision of infrastructure for electric and hydrogen cars to encourage and facilitate the early switch to emission free transport by as many residents as possible?

**32. Councillor Angela Tait**

England's Chief Medical Officer suggested people should be very careful this Christmas even though restrictions are being relaxed. Will we be giving similar advice to our residents?

**33. Councillor Geoff Winnard**

Can the Leader of the Council, provide an update on the proposed Community Asset Transfer of Bingley Swimming Pool, including what outstanding issues need to be resolved?

**34. Councillor Alun Griffiths**

To the Leader of Council. What is the cost of the Council sending a mail shot to every household in the District?

**35. Councillor Debbie Davies**

Would the Regeneration, Planning and Transport Portfolio Holder, please confirm the number of streetlights out by Ward and the time it is taking to undertake a repair, further to a light out being reported?

**36. Councillor Brendan Stubbs**

To the Portfolio Holder, Over the previous 4 years many community groups across the district have benefited from a 'Community Building Grant' for the Council to assist with Business rates and the cost of running these buildings. Collectively these organisations offer a wide range of vital services for their local communities. They have put in an incredible effort in 2020 to support local communities in difficult circumstances and like many residents and businesses they now face an uncertain 2021 and beyond.

Can the portfolio holder confirm to community organisations that this grant will continue to be available in 2021-2022 and beyond? What steps are being taken to make sure that the process for applications is in place as soon as possible? Also, what additional help and support is the Council making available to all Community organisations to help them prepare for the coming year?

**37. Councillor Mike Ellis**

Could the Portfolio Holder for Education, Employment and Skills confirm what assessments Bradford Council has made of the impact on Educational Attainment across the Bradford District, of the school closures during the initial lockdown and what action is being taken to support some form of catch-up provision, for those particularly disadvantaged groups of children who are likely to have suffered most?

**11. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEES (Standing Order 15)**

**11.1 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2020/21**

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On 25 June 2020 the Director of Finance submitted **Document “AF1”** to the Governance and Audit Committee presenting the Council’s 2020-21 Treasury Management Strategy. The document links the budget decisions for 2020-21 set out in the Capital Strategy and Revenue Estimates.

**Recommended –**

**That the changes to the Treasury Management Strategy (Governance and Audit Committee Document “AF1”) be adopted.**

(David Willis – 01274 432361)

**11.2 ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT 2019/20**

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This Council is required by regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003 to produce an annual treasury management review of activities and the actual prudential and treasury indicators for 2019-20. This report meets the requirements of both the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management, (the Code), and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities, (the Prudential Code).

On the 25 June 2020 the Director of Finance will presented to the Governance and Audit Committee **Document “AG”** which shows the Council’s Treasury Management activities for the year ending 31 March 2020.

**Recommended-**

**That the report and the changes to the Treasury Management Policy, detailed in paragraph 7 of Governance and Audit Committee Document “AG”, be adopted.**

(David Willis – 01274 432361)

**11.3 AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION - CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS** 61 - 110

On 20 August 2020 the Governance and Audit Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director Corporate Resources (Document “C”) providing details of the annual review of the Financial Regulations and Contract Standing Orders sections of the Council’s Constitution and made recommendations for their amendment.

**Recommended –**

**That the proposed changes to Contract Standing Orders and Financial Regulations contained in Governance and Audit Document “C” be accepted to support improvements in the organisation’s financial and procurement processes and procedures.**

(Ian Westlake/Helen Keith – 07971 540171/01274 432730)

**11.4 TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REVIEW UP TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2020** 111 - 132

On 26 November 2020 the Governance and Audit Committee the report of the Director of Finance (**Document “N”**) presenting the Council’s Treasury Management Mid-Year Review up to 30 September 2020.

**Recommended-**

**That the report (Governance and Audit Committee Document “N”) be adopted.**

(David Willis – 01274 432361)

**11.5 THE COUNCIL PLAN 2021-2025** 133 - 186

The Council Plan is a key document that outlines the Council’s overall strategic objectives as a Local Authority over a four-year period and identifies our key priorities. A draft Council Plan was approved for consultation at Executive in October. This paper outlines the results of this consultation and is the first of several key strategic documents presented to this Executive Committee including the future financial strategy, the Equality Plan, the Procurement Strategy and the Council Workforce strategy.

The report of the Chief Executive (**Executive Document “CQ”**) provides a final version of the Council Plan and Key Performance Indicators (KPI’s) for approval (included as Appendices 1 and 2). This has been amended following an external consultation on the Council Plan, a summary of this consultation can be found in Appendix 3.

In accordance with the Council’s Constitution the Council Plan is a key

Council document and is recommended to Council for adoption.

**Recommended –**

**That the draft Council Plan set out in Appendix 1 to Executive Document “CQ” and draft KPIs and targets in Appendix 2 be adopted.**

(Philip Witcherley – 01274 431241)

**11.6 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY 2021-2025**

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The Procurement Strategy is a key document that outlines the Council's procurement vision and aims over the next four years.

The Procurement Strategy is an enabling strategy for the Council Plan within the priority area of an 'Enabling Council'.

The report of the Strategic Director Corporate Resources (**Executive Document “CP”**) provides a summary of the Council's Procurement Strategy 2021-2025 for Members to consider. The strategy is attached at Appendix 1.

**Recommended –**

**That the Procurement Strategy 2021-2025 (Executive Document “CP” be adopted.**

(Ian Westlake - 07971 540171)

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION (Standing Order 17)**

To consider the attached motions of which notice has been given.

**12.1 SUPPORT FOR ONE PERSON HOUSEHOLDS DURING THE CURRENT PANDEMIC**

To be moved by Councillor David Ward  
Seconded by Councillor Brendan Stubbs

This Council notes that the current pandemic has highlighted the problem of providing help and support for solitary people without family or any form of support network and who are therefore particularly vulnerable. The number of people living on their own went up by 16% to 7.7 million between 1997 and 2017, while the UK population went up only by 13%. By 2039, the number of one-person households is projected to rise to 10.7 million and whilst many of them will have families, a significant proportion of that number will not. An outcome of the pandemic is a realisation that people without a support network are particularly vulnerable and that no person or service appears to have responsibility for ensuring their safety and care.

The Council resolves to:

1. Work with groups and organisations such as Ageing Without

Children to quantify the scale of the problem faced by solitary people.

2. Create a point of contact where help and support can be accessed by and for solitary people without family
3. Work with the police, health services and the voluntary sector to establish clear areas of responsibility for those living alone without any form of family support.

## **12.2 COVID-19 AND THE WAY FORWARD**

To be moved by Councillor Rebecca Poulsen

Seconded by Councillor Mike Pollard

Council notes:

- Covid19 has impacted on many residents and businesses across the District and continues to devastate families who have lost loved ones. Many people have made huge sacrifices.
- There has been an unprecedented challenge to the Government & Local Authorities, posed by the Covid 19 pandemic
- Government has worked with the local authority to financially support areas such as local test and trace, PPE and loss of council income during the pandemic.
- the government continues to assist the District through and beyond the pandemic, including additional funding for schools, safer streets and investment in infrastructure and retraining in industries of the future, to create jobs and grow the economy
- the continuation of the furlough scheme until the end of March 2021
- The recently announced pay rise to the lowest paid council staff is welcomed at a time that many people across the district are losing their jobs and facing pay cuts.

Council resolves:

- To thank key workers and those who have worked so tirelessly throughout the pandemic
- Ensure Government Business Support Grants are passed onto businesses who need them as soon as possible
- to complement essential reactive responses to Covid 19, with an increased focus on proactive, post Covid 19 restrictions strategies, to minimise the ongoing detrimental effects of the

infection on local people and the local economy.

- To look at practical steps the council can take such as rents the council charges to tenants and parking charges being cut to support local businesses.
- to work cross party on the council and with WYCA, the LEP, schools, colleges, university, employers and other key partners to ensure we support people locally with the skills and support they need to gain valuable employment
- to promote the need for partnership working to minimise the ongoing damages caused by the pandemic.
- To ensure local ward councillors are involved in covid19 decision making in their ward

### **12.3 COVID-19: THE DISTRICT'S RESPONSE AND RECOVERY**

To be moved by Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe

Seconded by Councillor Imran Khan

First and foremost we offer our sincere condolences to all families in the district, the country and across the world, who have lost loved ones to Covid-19. Every single loss is a tragedy.

Faced with such a challenge we give a big heartfelt thank you to the people of the district, the volunteers, council staff, school staff, health service and all our partners for the incredible work you have done during this difficult time. It has been a real community effort by the whole district. Your fortitude has been amazing and humbling; it will see us through the pandemic to a potential vaccine, recovery and return to a more normal way of life once again. For now, West Yorkshire is in Tier 3 along with South Yorkshire and the Humber, we must do everything we can to continue this effort and get the infection rate down.

There have been countless examples of ingenuity, brilliance and self-sacrifice, showcasing the very best of our district. Refuse collectors receiving gifts and children's drawings from residents grateful that their bin collections have continued uninterrupted; volunteers in Ilkley sewing personal protective equipment; school children making visors; school staff providing meals and home learning as well as school-based education through lockdown and beyond; community centres getting food to our most vulnerable residents; our Stronger Communities team helping people visit the graves of loved ones safely; Covid ambassadors and wardens out reassuring their neighbourhoods and supporting test, trace and isolate; our social workers continuing with visits and substantive checks amid growing demands, as we took the decision not to apply the emergency statutory instrument which would have allowed us to reduce checks and visits on our children; finance staff working all hours to get grants out to businesses; staff

from areas such as leisure services and school transport redeployed to do incredible work in our bereavement services. Just a few examples of the incredible team effort.

As a council communication has been vital. We have worked to keep our communities, councillors and staff well informed throughout.

Our ongoing communications with the public has included: letters to every household in the district; regular Stay Connected newsletters to 30,914 subscribers to Covid bulletins and 7,198 subscribers to our coronavirus business support emails; almost 3.4 million views of our Covid webpages; and huge engagement with our social media and customer services.

At the time of writing, the latest weekly update on 11<sup>th</sup> November showed that our hub had spoken to 10,024 people and visited 591 businesses in that week, we gave out 17,630 masks, Environmental Health received 225 complaints or requests for advice and took action on a further 159 reactive cases. Staff and volunteers continue to adapt and respond to the ever changing situation.

- 24<sup>th</sup> March – ‘The Council’s on-going emergency response to Covid-19’
- 30<sup>th</sup> April – ‘The response to Covid-19 and the forecast financial impact’
- 9<sup>th</sup> June – ‘Building a Better Future: living with Covid-19 and laying the foundations for a better future’
- 7<sup>th</sup> July – ‘Finance Position Statement for 2020/21, including investments to respond to Covid-19’
- 8<sup>th</sup> September – ‘Local Test & Trace expansion’
- 9<sup>th</sup> November – ‘Covid-19: response, resilience, recovery’

We resolve to:

- Continue to offer every possible support to those who are poorly, recovering from the after-effects, self-isolating or shielding;
- Build on the success of our local test, trace and isolate initiative to complement the national system;
- Continue to support all our communities with clear information, reassurance and practical help, including for their physical and mental health;
- Support our business community and the jobs they sustain as

much as we can so that they can survive these difficult times.

- Invest to support the strongest possible recovery from Covid-19 for our residents and businesses.

We call on the government to:

- Fund and support local test and trace for all local authorities, given it's been a success for us
- Invest now in planning with local authorities for vaccination roll-out, which is likely to be essential in getting our lives back on track
- Invest more in self-isolation grants, as too few people in Bradford district can afford to be without pay for a fortnight.
- Think about economic recovery now and work in partnership with us. We have a West Yorkshire Economic Recovery Plan and the Bradford Economic Recovery Plan will be coming for consideration at Executive in December. We need the funding from Government to deliver this.
- Provide more financial support for businesses in areas in the North, like Bradford district, where businesses have been hard hit by long term restrictions, particularly the leisure and hospitality supply chain who have received nothing and the 3 million self employed workers, "The Forgotten", who have fallen through the cracks.
- Address health inequalities – those who are disadvantaged have suffered the most
- Provide a proper three-year funding settlement for local government to tackle the costs of COVID as well as the impact it has had across the services of the council.
- Commit to a decent pay increase for those key workers – such as those council workers, police, fire and teachers who have given their all over the last year to keep residents safe and the country functioning.
- Take people with you - be open, honest and transparent and then the people will have trust and faith in the journey we are all travelling on.

### 13. **APPOINTMENT OF THE HONORARY RECORDER**

The purpose of the report of the City Solicitor (**Document "A"**) is to

formally invite the Council to approve the appointment of His Honour Judge Richard Mansell QC as Honorary Recorder of Bradford following the retirement of His Honour Judge Jonathan Durham Hall QC.

**Recommended –**

- (1) To formally approve the appointment of His Honour Judge Richard Mansell QC as Honorary Recorder of Bradford during his tenure as Resident Judge at Bradford Combined Court Centre, in accordance with the Courts Act 1971.**
- (2) To request that the City Solicitor, in consultation with the Lord Mayor make appropriate arrangements to mark his appointment when circumstances permit.**

(Parveen Akhtar – 01274 432496)