

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING - 07 APRIL 2011

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of Cambridge City Council will be held in the Council Chamber - Guildhall on Thursday, 7 April 2011 at 6.00 pm and I hereby summon you to attend.

Dated 30 March 2011

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AP Jackson', with a large, stylized initial 'A'.

Chief Executive

Agenda

- 1 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 17 FEBRUARY AND 21 FEBRUARY 2011**

To follow

- 2 MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 3 PUBLIC QUESTIONS TIME - SEE AT THE FOOT OF THE AGENDA FOR DETAILS OF THE SCHEME**

4 TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE FOR ADOPTION

4a Growth-related/fixed-term funded posts and New Homes Bonus (The Leader)

(Pages 1 - 10)

4b Cambridge Community Safety Plan 2011-2014 (Executive Councillor for Community Development and Health)

(Pages 11 - 38)

5 TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES FOR ADOPTION

5a Civic Affairs (23 March 2011)

- Constitutional Amendment
- Approval of Joint Memorandum of understanding between Cambridge City Council, Cambridgeshire County Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council on lead officer support to the Cambridge Fringes Joint Development Control Committee
- Member Allowances 2011-2012

(Pages 39 - 60)

5b Cambridge City Fringes Joint Committee (23 March 2011)

- Joint Planning Arrangements – Plan-Making

(Pages 61 - 70)

6 TO DEAL WITH ORAL QUESTIONS

7 TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTION FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN:

7a Councillors Owers and Dryden

The Council notes that the Conservative/Liberal Democrat Government is planning massive top down changes to the NHS including GP commissioning which will radically reorganise the NHS in Cambridgeshire, despite having no mandate from voters for these changes.

The Council supports major concerns expressed by Cambridge doctors and patients, including that

- the reorganisation and its projected £2 billion cost will be a massive waste of resources and diversion at a time of unprecedented financial strain on the NHS
- the majority of Cambridge GPs want to concentrate on medical practice and have little desire to run commissioning
- patient say is being reduced not increased
- the removal of minimum patient waiting times for key operations could cause waiting lists to multiply
- local GPs echo concerns that patient treatment according to clinical need could be compromised due to intense pressure from those most able to demand priority
- making NHS services compulsorily open to contracting out to "any willing provider", and effectively forcing GPs to contract out commissioning, will lead to privatisation and an NHS driven by private profit.

The Council asks the Chief Executive to organise a public meeting at the Guildhall and invite both Cambridge MPs to speak, the Secretary of State for Health Andrew Lansley MP and Julian Huppert MP, so they can explain these reforms and respond to the deep concerns of Cambridge residents.

7b Councillors Walker and Herbert

Given the importance the Council attaches to genuine consultation with Cambridge residents, the Council acknowledges that

a) community engagement has recently been inadequate on several issues of citywide concern, including plans to remove the ground floor toilets at Lion Yard and Council supported initiatives involving significant tree cutting and felling, and

b) many Cambridge residents have taken the view that the Council has neither been talking to people or listening properly on these issues.

The Council therefore asks that the planned new 'Code of Practice on Consultation and Community Engagement' is brought to full Council for debate before being adopted, to ensure significant improvement to future such consultations.

7c Councillors Marchant-Daisley and McPherson

The Council notes with concern that 45 Cambridgeshire police jobs have been cut in the last year, and that a further 81 jobs have already been announced to be cut by April 2012.

Given that Cambridgeshire already has the fifth lowest net spending per person, and that significant population growth is expected locally, the Council asks the Leader to write

(a) to the Conservative and Liberal Democrat MPs for Cambridge, asking the Government to reduce the planned police expenditure cuts in Cambridgeshire, and

(b) to the Chief Constable of Cambridgeshire, seeking assurance that frontline Cambridge policing will be protected, including all PCSO posts.

7d Councillor Levy

The Council welcomes the potential to reduce energy consumption in the County Council's re-examination of its street lighting policy. It calls on the County Council to implement any changes only after full consultation with the Police and City Council Safer Communities team as well as with the City Council's Urban Design and Conservation specialists.

8 WRITTEN QUESTIONS

No discussion will take place on this item. Members will be asked to note the written questions and answers document as circulated around the Chamber.

Information for the public

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