NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING - 20 OCTOBER 2011

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of Cambridge City Council will be held in the Council Chamber - Guildhall on Thursday, 20 October 2011 at 6.10 pm and I hereby summon you to attend.

Dated 12 October 2011

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

Agenda

1 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 JULY 2011

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4 TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE FOR ADOPTION

4a The Medium Term Strategy - The Leader

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- 5 TO DEAL WITH ORAL QUESTIONS
- TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTION, NOTICE OF WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN BY:

6a Councillors Herbert and Blencowe

The Council considers the draft National Planning Policy Framework and related Localism Bill changes to be a dangerous threat to the power of local councils, residents and local organisations to shape their own communities.

In particular, we object to the proposed skewing in the 'presumption in favour of development', and the risk that this Government direction will favour sub-standard speculative developments in and around Cambridge.

The Council asks the Chief Executive to write to both Cambridge MPs expressing our opposition to the Government imposing this presumption, and to seek support from them and South Cambridgeshire and Cambridgeshire County councils to prevent this national direction overriding local choice and local decisions.

The Council also supports the publication of a clear timetable for a well consulted and thorough update to the 2006 Cambridge Local Plan, developed in parallel with South Cambridgeshire's revised plan, with both identifying clear site selection criteria and new strategic sites for sufficient affordable housing, including to minimise any threat from speculative sub-standard sites.

6b Councillors Owers and Benstead

The Council notes the extent of street drinking and drug-taking within Cambridge, and that it is a problem on the rise, particularly in the Mitcham's Corner area, on Norfolk Street, Mill Road, Burleigh Street, Barnwell Road but also at other locations across the city.

The Council endorses a balanced approach to this problem, which addresses the human cost, as well as public order aspects and the intimidatory effect that the behaviour of some street-drinkers and drug-takers can have on the public.

The Council calls upon the Executive Councillor for Community Development and Health to bring a report to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee that outlines, in consultation with key sections of the community, measures to tackle the problem including:

- effective policies to ensure that street-drinkers and drug-takers get the rehabilitation and wider support they need.
- robust measures to ensure that local police have the powers and discretion to deal with the public order problems that arise from the problematic behaviour of some street drinkers and drugtakers.

6c Councillors Price and Moghadas

The Council is committed to working to end the unacceptable hassling of residents and visitors in 2011 by swarms of punt touts, including on Market Square and King's Parade.

The Council asks the Executive Councillor for Customer Services and Resources to bring a report to the Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee, in consultation with the Conservators of the River Cam following their recent initiatives, and the police, to propose a package of initiatives with the aim of

- limiting touting in central Cambridge, including considering how to restrict it to only to the riverbank
- ensuring any touts are trained in customer service and stop harassing people
- using Anti Social Behaviour Orders to control touts who create a significant nuisance
- ensuring effective joint working by the Council, Conservators, police and others to sort out this problem, and ensure that punting is once again a fun attraction for the city.

7 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.

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