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# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

# 6. Questions from members of the public

# 1. Question from Dr Shabina Asad Qayyum

To Councillor Ayres, Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and University

I'd like to ask the Cabinet Member for Education as to how effective Anti-Bullying policies devised individually by local schools, have been effective in mitigating the effects of Bullying. Are there are statistics to demonstrate how effective these policies have been?

### 2. Question from Danette O'Hara

To Councillor Holdich, Leader of the Council and Deputy Mayor of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority

Further to the question raised in December in relation to the Cambridgeshire Pension Fund investments in fossil fuel, estimated to be over £100 million, I would like to know why Peterborough City Council cannot make a stand and put a motion to the committee to divest. Although the City do not hold any direct investments, putting the motion forward will signify the importance of the issue and show they truly are aspiring to be an environment capital.

# **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

# 8. Questions on notice to:

- a) The Mayor
- b) To the Leader or Member of the Cabinet
- c) To the Chair of any Committee or Sub-committee

# 1. Question from Councillor Nadeem

To Councillor Hiller, Cabinet Member for Growth, Planning, Housing and Economic Development

Early last year, the Council had an approval of £7.5M regeneration package in respect of the Millfield and New England area. Subsequently, several meetings and discussions have taken place between local elected members and officers to consider how this money should be spent.

My question to the cabinet is that when is the Council due to make a final decision on where exactly this money will be spent?

### 2. Question from Councillor Saltmarsh

To Councillor Walsh, Cabinet Member for Communities

At the Council meeting on the 7th March it was agreed that £40 K from Capital budget would be spent to deliver /test verge parking measures throughout the city.

This is needed to tackle the blight of anti-social parking in housing estates, inconsiderate parking close to schools and the practice of parking advertising vans on the side of arterial roads around the city.

Can the relevant cabinet member please update council of the measures so far agreed and the timing and scoping of the plan?

### 3. Question from Councillor Ali

To Councillor Cereste, Cabinet Member for Waste and Street Scene

Many community members are concerned at the decreasing burial spaces at Eastfield Road Cemetery, can I please ask as to where we are in terms of securing additional long term provision for burial to reassure our communities who are rightly concerned?

### 4. Question from Councillor Murphy

To Councillor Cereste, Cabinet Member for Waste and Street Scene

I have received a request from residents in Ravensthorpe and Westwood for skips to help with clearing up the area. Our member of Parliament has recently provided a service at Westwood Centre. Will the cabinet member give consideration to provision of bulky waste collection initiatives in Westwood, Ravensthorpe, Westtown and Netherton?

# 5. Question from Councillor Hogg

To Councillor Walsh, Cabinet Member for Communities

Can the cabinet member for Communities please update us on the progress that has been made since the meeting with residents of the Vista development, which occurred on Monday 15th January 2018? Can she also tell us when we can expect the follow up meeting, which was promised some six weeks later and hasn't even been arranged six months later? Quite understandably the residents of the Vista development are feeling let down and ignored, can she account for the delay and what is being done to resolve this issue.

### 6. Question from Councillor Sandford

To Councillor Hiller, Cabinet Member for Growth, Planning, Housing and Economic Development

The Peterborough City Council Local Transport Plan contains a Transport User Hierarchy which states that in all aspects of transport planning priority will be given to road users in the following order: pedestrians, cyclists, public transport, with private cars at the bottom of the list. In view of this could the relevant cabinet member tell me what measures are being taken to encourage members of staff to use public transport to access the new Council building Sand Martin House?

# 8. Questions on notice to:

a) The Combined Authority Representatives

# 1. Question from Councillor Hogg

To Councillor Over/Murphy

Can the representatives of the Combined Authority scrutiny committee please explain the reason for non-attendance that meant that the meeting of 15th June 2018 couldn't go ahead due to not being quorate?

COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No. 9(a)
25 JULY 2018	ADDITIONAL REPORT

Report of:	Acting Director of Corporate Resources	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor David Seaton, Cabinet Member for Resources	
Contact Officer(s):	Peter Carpenter, Acting Director of Corporate Resources Kirsty Nutton, Head of Corporate Finance	Tel: 01733 452520 Tel: 01733 384590

# FULL COUNCIL ADDENDUM - MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2019/20-2021/22

### **BACKGROUND**

- 1.1. This addendum has been produced in order that Members receive the most up to date position regarding the Tranche One budget consultation.
- 1.2. This document also contains an additional list of consultation responses, which we were unable to include within the main report due to the timing of publication.

# **CHANGES TO THE CONSULTATION RESPONSE**

1.3. This update contains the 2 additional consultation responses received.

	Do you have any comments to make about the tranche one budget proposals?	Having read the tranche one proposals document, how much do you now feel you understand about why the council must make total savings of almost £10.2million in 2019/20 and almost £22.3million by 2021/22? Tick the answer you agree with.	If you have any specific ideas about how the council can save money or generate additional income to protect services, please state these below:	Response
****	The budget proposals are not sustainable given the scale of the cuts that are compounded over several years.	A great deal	Each day many thousands of people and vehicles enter Peterborough via the A1, A15, A47 etc. These people live outside Greater Peterborough and they come into the city for employment, education, shopping, leisure and to collect and deliver goods and deliver services. Most of these people and their journeys contribute little or nothing to the local Peterborough economy. They pay no council tax, business taxes or fees to support Peterborough and its infrastructure that they use and benefit from daily. Introducing realistic proportionate taxes for those visiting and using Peterborough will raise revenues. This can be achieved through tiered parking charges, charging more for non Peterborough residents. A congestion charge for non Peterborough residents cars and introducing parking charges at work for non Peterborough residents would raise revenues and incentivise and bring people back to live in the city.	Thank you for your comments, we will forward them on to the relevant department for investigation.
	The proposals are nothing different or alternative to	Not very much	Firstly the Adult Social Care budget needs to have a complete overhaul. The introduction of Direct Payment for care and respite is not correctly costed or accounted for. People's care plan aren't updated and reviewed robustly and appropriately. The accrued funds in a Direct	People entitled to local authority funding assistance with their care and support needs are legally entitled to a 'personal budget' which should be of sufficient value to purchase appropriate care and support to meet their assessed needs. An individual can choose to take their personal budget as a

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what is currently happening in the city.

payment account are not always refunded back into the Adult Social care pot. The Direct Payment budget is massive and there are funds held by the brokerage organisation that should be put back into the Adult Social Care budget. These accounts accrue funds and they are held by the brokerage organisation and earning interest. Stringent auditing activities and control needs to be implement so that all DP accounts are only holding minimum funds. On other services - isn't it time the council look at different ways and methods of delivering services! Why does it always have to be a tender? Which actually costs more money to administer. Why doesn't the council ask the local community and businesses to come up with solutions and services that are needed in the city. Why pay consultants to do this work when they normally don't really understand the needs of the community or city. The Council need to empower the local community to come together and have a say in how services are delivered. It's the people at the grass roots that have the first-hand experience of how money is being wasted and how it can be solved. The Council should develop better links and partnership working with local charities and community groups. Give the power back to the people who are affecting by the cuts and deficit in the budget. The Council should support community groups and charities to secure funds from other pots and national charities. And help small community groups to apply for funding to deliver services in the city. The council should bring back weekly bin collection in high populated areas and also reintroduce free bulky pick up. This will have impact on fly tipping and keep vermin infestation down. Educating

direct payment - in which case this is paid either directly to them, usually on a 4 weekly basis, or to a third party support organisation that can administer direct payments on their behalf. Increasing numbers of people now take their personal budget as a direct payment, and consequently the sums paid in this way are large - but successive Governments have stated clearly that the preferred method of delivering personal budgets is via direct payments because they provide more choice, control and better value for individuals in need of care. Peterborough City Council, in common with most other Councils with Adult Social Care responsibilities, has an aspiration to increase direct payment numbers.

The use of direct payments is monitored and reviewed closely from the outset to ensure that the funds are use in accordance with the requirements set out in a person's care and support plan, and monitoring continues on an ongoing, regular basis - usually quarterly. Allocations of funding for respite care within a personal budget paid as a direct payment are based on the cost of purchasing appropriate respite to meet the needs of the person - in conjunction with what has been agreed in the care plan, and is usually based on the cost of purchasing care in a local care home, but may also be based on the cost of other forms of respite depending on the needs and wishes of the person in need of care. Direct payments are intended to give flexibility, choice and control to the individual to meet their own care and support needs in a way that best suits them to help achieve the right outcomes. Reviews of the care and support arrangements for direct payment clients are carried out usually within the first two months of a new direct payment starting, and at least annually thereafter. Accrued funds in a person's own direct payment account, or held by a third party/organisation that is managing a person's direct payment, can be justifiably held and retained if the amount is judged to be of a reasonable

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# Agenda Item 9(e) Amendment to Report Recommendation

# **COUNCIL MEETING 25 JULY 2018**

# CONSTITUTION AND ETHICS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MEMBER OFFICER PROTOCOL (SHADOW CABINET)

### Amendment from Councillor Sandford to be moved as follows:

A Shadow Cabinet may be formed by the second largest any group which has ten or more councillors by their nomination from amongst their Members of the Council and they shall notify the Council and the Chief Executive of the names of the Members nominated to form a Shadow Cabinet and of any changes in the membership of the Shadow Cabinet which may occur from time to time.

Members will mirror those of the Cabinet, save that a single Member may cover more than one portfolio.

A protocol on their role is attached at Appendix 1

# **COUNCIL MEETING 25 JULY 2018**

### MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR SHAZ NAWAZ

Amendment from Councillor Holdich and agreed by Councillor Shaz Nawaz, Councillor Shaz Nawaz to move as follows:

"In the UK today, there are significant numbers of children who do not currently have British citizenship but have rights to register as British citizens. Many of these children were born in the UK, and others have lived here from a young age, been raised here, educated here, and have never known any other home.

Without access to their citizenship rights, children may find themselves denied opportunities extended to their peers, such as the chance to participate in a school trip or to be eligible for funding so they can undertake higher education.

There are a number of barriers to children registering their citizenship. Registration can be a complex process of prohibitive cost.

Children are charged £1,012 for a process whose administrative cost is published at £372, meaning government is making a profit of £640 from every child who claims their rights.

Where a child is in the care of Peterborough City Council this fee, if it is to be paid, would have to be paid by the Council.

No child should be denied their citizenship rights by reason of a fee. There is no substitute for citizenship, which is vital to future security and sense of belonging.

### This Council recognises:

- That the profit-making element of the fee to register citizenship discourages the best outcomes for many of the UKs children
- Because of their duties as corporate parents, the fee for children to register will fall on Councils in the many cases where looked after children qualify for citizenship
- The fee puts Councils in the unacceptable position of having to weigh the benefits of citizenship to a child in their care against the cost to the Council of assisting a child in claiming that right

#### This Council therefore resolves:

- To write to the minister of immigration demanding requesting that the fee for children to register as British citizens is reduced to the administrative cost; and demanding requesting that looked after children are exempted from the fee in its entirety
- To identify children in their care who are entitled to citizenship, and make sure they are aware of their rights and supported to claim them."

# **COUNCIL MEETING 25 JULY 2018**

### MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR JOSEPH

Amendment from Councillor Sandford and agreed by Councillor Joseph, Councillor Joseph to move as follows:

### **Motion from Councillor Joseph**

"Waste continues to be an issue that affects every one of us, whether it is the frequency of our bin collections, what we should recycle or perhaps the most emotive issue of all, flytipping, and most of us will have an opinion on waste in this city.

Following a recommendation from Councillor Holdich and the decision of the Growth, Resources and Environment Scrutiny Committee, a council task and finish group is to be set up to look at the issue of fly-tipping and possible remedies to what is a sickness which has a very negative impact on our Peterborough.

Let us give credit where it is due to the many, many residents who responsibly dispose of their waste, either by taking it to the household waste site at Welland Road or paying £23 for a bulky waste collection.

This Council recognises:

- The considerable cost of addressing fly-tipping
- Waste that may have been able to be upcycled or recycled is being taken to the landfill site creating a greater strain on dwindling resources and a more significant impact on the environment
- Streets littered with the detritus of unwanted goods does not inspire pride. Instead, it lends itself to creating further decay and a higher air of disillusion in our residents.
- It takes many people to report and deal with each incident of fly tipping. As

Councillors, many of us feel we spend our time, which would be better spent addressing other issues, doing nothing but reporting issues of flytipping.

The Council therefore resolves to have a greater focus on recycling and upcycling as the

Environment Capital of the UK by asking the flytipping start and finish taskforce to:

- Promoting the use of recycling and upcycling companies who can assist with making use of goods which are subsequently reused for other purposes.
- Leading the way for our residents by considering opportunities for recycling and upcycling such as using old tyres as temporary parking restrictors, or planters or and making old children's climbing frames or turning them into chips that can be used in children's play areas as soft landing areas.
- Encouraging the reduction in the use removal of plastics from by local shops. in the city"

#### **COUNCIL MEETING 25 JULY 2018**

#### MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR JOSEPH

#### Amendment from Councillor Cereste to be moved as follows:

### **Motion from Councillor Joseph**

"Waste continues to be an issue that affects every one of us, whether it is the frequency of our bin collections, what we should recycle or perhaps the most emotive issue of all, flytipping, and most of us will have an opinion on waste in this city.

Following a recommendation from Councillor Holdich and the decision of the Growth, Resources and Environment Scrutiny Committee, a council task and finish group is to be set up to look at the issue of fly-tipping and possible remedies to what is a sickness which has a very negative impact on our Peterborough.

<u>However,</u> Let us give credit where it is due to the many, many residents who responsibly dispose of their waste, either by taking it to the household waste site at Welland Road or paying £23 for a bulky waste collection.

Waste management is part of a larger picture of resource efficiency that could also have a positive impact on flytipping.

The larger picture must focus on reducing the amount of waste we produce in the first place through our buy, use and dispose lifestyles. As a city we are leading the way in moving away from this linear approach by encouraging and supporting more "circular" activities such as reuse, repair and re-manufacture. Let us also, therefore, give credit to the considerable circular economy work that the Council, in partnership with Opportunity Peterborough, has undertaken to date.

Our Circular Peterborough initiative, part of our Environment Action Plan, is leading the way nationally and internationally on this, including, but not limited to:

- Increasing the recycling or recovery of household waste at the Household Recycling Centre at Dogsthorpe to over 90% as a contribution to the 'Zero Waste' target.
- The 'Love Peterborough: love your Community' recycling message and the provision of free food waste bags to residents has increased participation also as a contribution to the 'Zero Waste' target
- Our Energy Recovery Facility is generating around 55,000MWh of renewable energy each year supporting the 'Zero Carbon Energy' target.
- <u>Launching our 'Share Peterborough' platform enabling businesses to find new homes</u> for furniture, equipment and other useful items including underused spaces.
- Publishing our draft Circular Peterborough Roadmap which builds on all of these achievements and more as it sets out how we plan to be a truly circular city by 2050.

We are one of only two UK and eleven international cities in the Ellen MacArthur Foundation Circular Cities Network and was awarded the accolade of World Smart City in 2015 with significant recognition for our pioneering Circular Economy work.

# This Council recognises:

- The considerable cost of addressing fly-tipping and the damage it causes to our environment
- The fact that fly-tipping needs to be considered as part of a much broader waste management picture and is a key part of Peterborough's ambition to move from linear to more circular approaches to how we live our lives.
- Waste that may have been able to be upcycled or recycled is being taken to the landfill site creating a greater strain on dwindling resources and a more significant impact on the environment
- Currently, waste that could have been reused, repaired or recycled is, instead, being taken to the Energy Recovery Facility. Whilst energy is, of course, recovered from the material, opportunities to avoid such items becoming waste in the first place are being lost.
- Streets littered with the detritus of unwanted goods does not inspire pride. Instead, it lends itself to creating further decay and a higher air of disillusion in our residents.
- It takes many people to report and deal with each incident of fly tipping, As Councillors, many of us feel we spend our time, which would be better spent addressing other issues, doing nothing but reporting issues of flytipping. and it would be an improvement to the lives of many if the incidents of fly tipping can be significantly reduced if not eliminated.

The Council therefore resolves to have a greater focus on recycling and upcycling as the continue to build upon its waste minimisation, re-use, recycling, recovery work as part of its Circular Peterborough initiative and it's commitment to creating the UK's Environment Capital by asking the fly tipping task and finish group to:

- Promoting the use of recycling and upcycling companies who can assist with making
  use of goods which are subsequently reused for other purposes. Highlight the
  opportunities for the involvement of repair, reuse, remanufacture and recycling
  companies and/or charities in making use of goods which are would otherwise be
  disposed of. This should include promoting and increasing the use of our ground
  breaking Share Peterborough platform.
- Leading the way for our residents by considering opportunities for recycling and upcycling such as the Council's current practice of using old tyres as temporary parking restrictors, or planters or and making old children's climbing frames or turning them

- into chips that can be used as 'Jungle Mulch' that is used where appropriate in children's play areas as soft landing areas.
- Encouraging the reduction in the use of of single use plastics from by local shops in the city, through engagement in national schemes and local partnerships with PECT and Opportunity Peterborough.
- To continue to drive the city's internationally recognised programme of circular economy work through the Circular Peterborough initiative to ensure that economic growth, waste reduction and environmental benefits can be achieved in the medium to long term.

# Agenda Item 13 (a) Amendment to Report Recommendation

# **COUNCIL MEETING 25 JULY 2018**

# POLITICAL BALANCE CALCULATION AND APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMEN

#### Amendment from Councillor Sandford to be moved as follows:

It is recommended that Council:

- 1. Agrees the updated allocation of seats on those council committees subject to political balance arrangements (**Appendix 1**).
- 2. Agrees the appointment of the following positions:
  - Chairman of the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee Councillor Chris Harper
  - Vice Chairman of the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee – Councillor Graham Casey
  - Vice Chairman of the Corporate Parenting Committee Councillor Stephen Lane-Bella Saltmarsh
  - Vice Chairman of the Audit Committee Councillor Kim Aitken
  - Vice Chairman of the Constitutional and Ethics Committee Councillor Shazir Bashir

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