



To: All Members of the Council

Town House,
ABERDEEN, 6 December 2011

COUNCIL MEETING

The Members of the **COUNCIL** are requested to meet in Council Chamber - Town House on **WEDNESDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2011 at 10.30am.**

JANE G. MACEACHRAN
HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

BUSINESS

- 1 Admission of Burgesses
- 2 Members are requested to resolve that any exempt business on this agenda be considered with the press and public excluded
- 3 Requests for Deputation

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

- 4(a) Minute of Meeting of Council of 6th October 2011 - for approval (circulated separately)

MINUTES OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- 5(a) Pamphlet of Minutes - for information (circulated separately)

BUSINESS STATEMENT AND OTHER MINUTES

- 6(a) Business Statement (Pages 1 - 8)
- 6(b) Minute of Meeting of Appointment Sub-Committee of 5th December 2011 - for approval (Pages 9 - 10)

REFERRALS FROM COMMITTEES

- 7 None to Date

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 8(a) Polling Places Review - Report by Chief Executive (Pages 11 - 16)
- 8(b) Orders of Reference - Report by Director of Corporate Governance (Pages 17 - 26)
- 8(c) Aberdeen Prison Visiting Committee - Appointment of Replacement Members - Report by Director of Corporate Governance (Pages 27 - 30)
- 8(d) Housing for Varying Needs Review - Report by Director of Housing and Environment (Pages 31 - 156)
- 8(e) City Garden Project - Gauging Public Support - Report by Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure (Pages 157 - 198)
- 8(f) Annual Audited Accounts 2010/11 - Referred by Audit and Risk Committee of 29th November 2011 - for approval (Pages 199 - 252)
 - (i) Report to those charged with governance on the Audit of Aberdeen City Council 2010/11 - Report by Henderson Loggie
 - (ii) Report to Members and the Controller of Audit 2010/11 - Report by Henderson Loggie
 - (iii) Audited Annual Accounts 2010/11 (circulated separately)
- 8(g) General Fund Revenue Budget 2012/13 to 2016/17 - to be referred by Finance and Resources Committee of 6th December 2011 (Pages 253 - 322)
- 8(h) Treasury Management - Mid Year Review - to be referred by Finance and Resources Committee of 6th December 2011 (Pages 323 - 326)

QUESTIONS

9(a) Councillor Young (Pages 327 - 328)

- (1) "To ask the Chief Executive, who will be aware of Section 75 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended which deals with disposal etc. of land forming part of the common good, what discussions if any have taken place between internal Council legal officers and/or Council appointed external legal officers and any Council employee relating to Union Terrace Gardens and what is the legal advice provided to the said employee and to further ask the Chief Executive what discussions if any have taken place between internal Council legal officers and/or Council appointed external legal officers and any person - the definition of "person" includes a body of persons corporate or unincorporated - relating to Union Terrace Gardens and what is the legal advice provided to the said person?"

(The above question was deferred at the last Council meeting in Councillor Young's absence. Councillor Young has agreed to drop the other 3 questions he submitted to that meeting which were also deferred)

- (2) "To ask the Chief Executive if the Director of Corporate Governance has ever replied to members of the Joint Consultative Committee (JCC) following the JCC meeting of 4th October 2011 where UNISON Aberdeen Branch presented a report to the JCC into costs associated with external delivery of Council IT services, given the Director disputed the accuracy of the report presented by the above said union and gave an assurance that he would respond to the alleged inaccuracies, can the Chief Executive provide members with a copy of the Director's response to the JCC on the union's paper or be provided with a date as to when the Director intends to respond to the JCC or alternatively can the Chief Executive confirm that the Director now agrees that the report put to the JCC by the union was indeed accurate thereby no longer needing a reply?"

9(b) Councillor Leslie (Pages 329 - 330)

- (1) "In light of the EIS survey, can the Chief Executive confirm if teaching staff who have funded stationery pencils, jotters, rubbers, ever been rejected monies from the Education budget for such stationery?"

MOTIONS

10(a) Councillor Leslie

"That officers are instructed to prepare a report on proper access for disabled people using mobility scooters at Marischal College, and such a report be remitted to the appropriate committee."

10(b) Lord Provost Peter Stephen

"That this Council, with its local and national cultural partners, explores the potential of bidding for the accolade of UK City of Culture in 2017, instructing officers to research the social and economic benefits of submitting a bid, and to scope the financial requirements needed to prepare such a bid."

10(c) Councillor Graham

"That the relevant department consults with the residents of Bonnyview Drive to ascertain the requirement to install traffic calming measures and report back to committee."

10(d) Councillor Graham

"That officers provide a report to advise Aberdeen City Council on what current measures are in place and what further measures need to be undertaken to promote/ensure competition in the bus routes of Aberdeen, thus ensuring a more competitive price for buses for the citizens of Aberdeen that are comparable with other cities in Scotland."

BUSINESS THE COUNCIL MAY WISH TO CONSIDER IN PRIVATE

11(a) Duthie Park Restoration - Outcome of Tender Process - Report by Director of Housing and Environment (Pages 331 - 334)

11(b) Premises at 132 Wellington Road - Report by Director of Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure (Pages 335 - 338)

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