

To: All Members of the Council

#### Town House, ABERDEEN, 7 December 2022

# COUNCIL

The Members of the **COUNCIL** are requested to meet in Council Chamber - Town House on <u>WEDNESDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2022 at 10.30am</u>. This is a hybrid meeting, therefore Members may also take part remotely.

> JENNI LAWSON INTERIM CHIEF OFFICER - GOVERNANCE

# <u>B U S I N E S S</u>

# ADMISSION OF BURGESSES

1.1 Admission of Burgesses

# NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS

2.1 No urgent business at this time

## **DETERMINATION OF EXEMPT BUSINESS**

3.1 <u>Members are requested to determine that the exempt business be considered with</u> <u>the press and public excluded</u>

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND TRANSPARENCY STATEMENTS**

4.1 <u>Members are requested to declare any interests or connections</u>

#### DEPUTATIONS

5.1 <u>No deputations at this time</u>

## MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) OF COUNCIL

- 6.1 <u>Minute of Meeting of Aberdeen City Council of 13 October 2022 for approval</u> (Pages 7 - 20)
- 6.2 <u>Minute of Meeting of Urgent Business Committee of 21 October 2022 for approval</u> (Pages 21 - 24)

## **REFERRALS FROM COMMITTEES**

7.1 <u>Guildry and Mortification Funds Committee - 5 December 2022 - Guildry Funds -</u> <u>Review of Allowances</u> (Pages 25 - 28)

#### BUSINESS PLANNER AND OTHER MINUTES

- 8.1 <u>Council Business Planner</u> (Pages 29 36)
- 8.2 <u>Minute of Meeting of the Capital Programme Committee of 6 October 2022 for</u> <u>approval</u> (Pages 37 - 40)

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 9.1 <u>City Centre Update RES/22/290</u> (Pages 41 264)
  Please note Appendix C to the report is exempt and is contained at item 11.1
- 9.2 <u>George Street Mini Masterplan COM/22/291</u> (Pages 265 490)
- 9.3 Vacant Units on Union Street Action Plan COM/22/287 (Pages 491 526)
- 9.4 <u>Beachfront Masterplan Short Term Intervention Update COM/22/292</u> (Pages 527 596)
- 9.5 <u>Beachfront Masterplan Update Medium to Long Term Interventions COM/22/293</u> (Pages 597 - 866)
- 9.6 <u>Statutory Function Review COM/22/288</u> (Pages 867 872)

- 9.7 Governance Review of Trusts 2022 Update COM/22/285 (Pages 873 910)
- 9.8 <u>Buffer Zones COM/22/270</u> (Pages 911 918)
- 9.9 Work Plan and Business Cases Revenue COM/22/273 (Pages 919 926)
  Please note appendices 2 and 4 to the report are exempt and are contained at item 11.2
- 9.10 <u>Treasury Management Strategy Mid-Year Review RES/22/267</u> (Pages 927 930)
- 9.11 <u>Review of Parking Charges RES/22/294</u> (Pages 931 940)
- 9.12 Fairer Aberdeen Fund Annual Report 2021-22 CUS/22/286 (Pages 941 974)
- 9.13 Locality Plans Annual Report CUS/22/282 (Pages 975 1012)
- 9.14 <u>Adoption of Aberdeen Local Development Plan 2023 COM/22/283</u> (Pages 1013 1210)

Please note that Appendix 3 to this report can be accessed <u>here</u>

9.15 <u>Aberdeen Local Development Plan 2023 - Draft Aberdeen Planning Guidance and</u> <u>Supplementary Guidance - COM/22/284</u> (Pages 1211 - 1224)

Please note that Appendix 1 to this report can be accessed here

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

10.1 Lord Provost David Cameron (Pages 1225 - 1226)

That the Council:

- (1) Agrees that this Council confers the Freedom of the City of Aberdeen on the Aberdeen Football Club team who won the European Cup Winners' Cup in 1983 and also on Aberdeen Football Club who have been in the city since 1903.
- (2) Agrees that the achievement of this team, which culminated in winning the final in Gothenburg, Sweden, in May 1983 by beating Real Madrid, was worthy of recognition.
- (3) Agrees that the conferment ceremony should be planned to take place as part of the weekend celebration of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the win from 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 currently being organised by Aberdeen Football Club and instructs the Interim Chief Officer - Governance to make any necessary arrangements on behalf of the Council in this regard.

[The notice of motion has been signed by 31 members, in accordance with Standing Order 12.18, as per the document within the agenda]

#### 10.2 Councillor Blake

That Council:-

Notes with concern that notification of strike action has been received from four of the teacher's unions.

Agrees that young people's education has been severely impacted by the pandemic and that teachers are key to successful recovery.

Agrees that hard working teachers across Scotland have gone above and beyond as a result of the pandemic but also as a result of years of mismanagement and neglect by the Scottish Government.

Recognises that this is a national dispute which can only be resolved by SNP Ministers at Holyrood.

Calls for COSLA to press the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills urging them to do everything possible to avoid or minimise industrial action and its impact upon our children, young people, parents and guardians.

Instructs the Chief Executive to formally write to the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills noting the Council's concerns for the education of our children and young people if the Scottish Government cannot reach a settlement in this dispute and to urgently produce a fair deal for teachers.

#### 10.3 <u>Councillor Houghton</u>

That Council:-

- 1. Notes the summit held on 9 November 2022 concerning the future of Aberdeen City Centre.
- 2. Notes the unanimous decision of the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee in June 2017 to set aside up to £4.2million to be utilised for a non-domestic rates local transition scheme.
- 3. Agrees the damaging effect of Scottish Government controlled Non-Domestic Rates has had as another decisive factor in the deterioration of the high street despite temporary mitigation measures.
- 4. Notes that only legislation by the Scottish Parliament will structurally change the scheme of Non-Domestic Rates in Scotland and that the council lacks the powers to change the rates for businesses.
- 5. Agrees that the power to provide business rate relief already lies with the Council.
- 6. Therefore instructs the Chief Officer City Growth, following consultation with the Chief Officer Customer Experience and Chief Officer Finance, to report to the next Council meeting providing details on a range of options and costings for a 'business rates exemption zone' within the city centre.

#### 10.4 <u>Councillor Kusznir</u>

That the Council:-

- Congratulates all involved with the Royal Scottish National Orchestra and Big Noise Torry's 'side-by-side' concert at the Music Hall on 13 October 2022 where they performed Danzón No2 by popular Mexican composer Arturo Márquez, conducted by Christian Reif;
- 2. Notes that Big Noise Torry launched in July 2015 and was Sistema Scotland's third orchestra centre;
- 3. Understands Big Noise Torry uses the symphony orchestra as a community through which local children gain valuable life skills and experiences, such as developing confidence and teamwork; and
- 4. Applauds this impressive event, and the amazing work that Big Noise Torry continues to do to support young people and their families.

## EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

- 11.1 <u>City Centre Update COM/22/290 exempt appendix</u> (Pages 1227 1276)
- 11.2 <u>Work Plan and Business Cases Revenue COM/22/273 exempt appendices</u> (Pages 1277 - 1290)

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