

To: All Members of the Council

Town House,
ABERDEEN Thursday, 24 August 2022

ADJOURNED COUNCIL

The Members of the **COUNCIL** are requested to meet in Council Chamber - Town House on **THURSDAY**, **25 AUGUST 2022 at 2.00 pm**.

This is a hybrid meeting therefore members may also attend remotely.

VIKKI CUTHBERT INTERIM CHIEF OFFICER - GOVERNANCE

BUSINESS

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND TRANSPARENCY STATEMENTS

4.1 Members are requested to declare any interests or connections

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 9.4 <u>Committee Structure and Scheme of Governance COM/22/161</u> (Pages 5 66)

 Appendix 4 is at the end of the appendices.
- 9.5 <u>City Centre and Beach Masterplan RES/22/173</u> (Pages 67 212)

NOTICES OF MOTION

10.2 <u>Councillor Macdonald</u>

To instruct the Chief Executive to report to the December 2022 Council meeting on the feasibility of offering free bus travel to every resident of Aberdeen, by fully funding those residents who are not eligible for existing concessionary schemes.

10.3 Councillor Tissera

That the Council:-

- 1. note that many Aberdeen citizens, like citizens from other cities, towns and villages in Scotland are reliant on food banks;
- 2. note the good work that is done by many community leaders and volunteers within Aberdeen, who offer foodbank facilities within their communities, thus helping those most in need;
- 3. note that falling incomes and inflation has left many food banks struggling to survive, however, thanks to the prudent financial management of the last Administration the Council achieved an underspend of £1.3m last year and therefore additional funds are available to the Council that hadn't been anticipated when the budget was set for 2022/23 and has not been allocated as part of the Quarter 1 Financial Performance Report. In addition, over £35m of cashable reserves are retained within the Common Good. All in all, cash is available to help struggling food banks if the political will is there:
- 4. agree that with many citizens being unable to feed their families sufficiently and properly due to the high cost of food and with food banks in the city complaining that they are running out of food to help the most needy and vulnerable in Aberdeen, the time has come for the Council to stop counting the interest on its money and put some of that money into helping the most vulnerable in our city:
- 5. agree therefore to allocate £500,000 from the General Fund 2022/23 contingency budget to be distributed to the various food bank charities within the city to allow them to help protect our most needy and vulnerable citizens; and
- agree to delegate authority to the Chief Officer Early Intervention and Community Empowerment, following consultation with the Chief Officer -Finance, to make appropriate arrangements for the urgent distribution of £500,000 from General Fund contingencies for the mitigation of food poverty across Aberdeen.
- 7. appoint a Food Champion to focus on this crucial and complex issue in the immediate and longer term for the benefit of all Aberdeen citizens.

10.4 Councillor Tissera

Aberdeen City Council:-

- (1) congratulates England's Women's Football team on winning the European Championship.
- (2) agrees that the Lionesses are an inspiration to all girls and women right across the United Kingdom.
- (3) acknowledges the work that Sport Aberdeen is currently doing and agrees that the Council continues to work with Sport Aberdeen, Aberdeen Football Club's Women's Team and other women's football teams to promote girls' and women's participation in football and sport in our schools and communities, thus helping with the mental well-being of all those participating in sport.

EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

- 11.1 North East of Scotland Green Freeport Update COM/22/170 (Pages 213 270)
- 11.2 <u>Committee Structure and Scheme of Governance Appendix 12</u> (Pages 271 288)

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