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Tuesday, 11 October 2016

TO: THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to an Extraordinary meeting of the **COUNCIL** to be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER - 52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK L39 2DF** on **WEDNESDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2016** at **7.00 PM** at which your attendance is requested.

Yours faithfully

Kim Webber Chief Executive

AGENDA (Open to the Public)

1. PRAYERS

2. APOLOGIES

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If a member requires advice on Declarations of Interest, he/she is advised to contact the Borough Solicitor in advance of the meeting. (For the assistance of members a checklist for use in considering their position on any particular item is included at the end of this agenda sheet.) 531 - 532

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4. HONORARY ALDERMAN - MRS UNA ATHERLEY

To consider the following:

"That pursuant to their powers under Section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do confer upon Mrs Una Atherley, the title of Honorary Alderman of the Borough of West Lancashire in recognition of the eminent services which she has rendered to the Council of the Borough of West Lancashire during her 25 years in which she was a Member of the Council."

Statutory Provision

Under the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, a principal Council may, by a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members voting thereon at a meeting of the Council specially convened for the purpose with notice of the object, confer the title of Honorary Alderman on persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent services to the Council, but who are not then Councillors of the Council.

Honorary Aldermen may attend and take part in such civic ceremonies as the Council may from time to time decide, but there is no right to attend meetings of the Council or its Committees or to claim any allowances payable to Members.

Note:

This Extraordinary meeting of the Council has been called by the Mayor, under the provisions of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 to the Local Government Act 1972.

We can provide this document, upon request, on audiotape, in large print, in Braille and in other languages.

FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE: Please see attached sheet. MOBILE PHONES: These should be switched off or to 'silent' at all meetings.

For further information, please contact:-Jacky Denning on 01695 585384 Or email jacky.denning@westlancs.gov.uk Pages 533 - 534

FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE FOR: COUNCIL MEETINGS WHERE OFFICERS ARE PRESENT (52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK)

PERSON IN CHARGE:Most Senior Officer PresentZONE WARDEN:Member Services Officer / LawyerDOOR WARDEN(S)Usher / Caretaker

IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE

- 1. Operate the nearest **FIRE CALL POINT** by breaking the glass.
- 2. Attack the fire with the extinguishers provided only if you have been trained and it is safe to do so. **Do not** take risks.

ON HEARING THE FIRE ALARM

- 1. Leave the building via the **NEAREST SAFE EXIT. Do not stop** to collect personal belongings.
- 2. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** on the car park and report your presence to the **PERSON IN CHARGE.**
- 3. **Do NOT** return to the premises until authorised to do so by the PERSON IN CHARGE.

NOTES:

Officers are required to direct all visitors regarding these procedures i.e. exit routes and place of assembly.

The only persons not required to report to the Assembly Point are the Door Wardens.

CHECKLIST FOR PERSON IN CHARGE

- 1. Advise other interested parties present that you are the person in charge in the event of an evacuation.
- 2. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire escape routes and informed any interested parties of the escape routes.
- 3. Make yourself familiar with the location of the assembly point and informed any interested parties of that location.
- 4. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire alarm and detection control panel.
- 5. Ensure that the zone warden and door wardens are aware of their roles and responsibilities.
- 6. Arrange for a register of attendance to be completed (if considered appropriate / practicable).

IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE, OR THE FIRE ALARM BEING SOUNDED

- 1. Ensure that the room in which the meeting is being held is cleared of all persons.
- 2. Evacuate via the nearest safe Fire Exit and proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** in the car park.
- 3. Delegate a person at the **ASSEMBLY POINT** who will proceed to **HOME CARE LINK** in order to ensure that a back-up call is made to the **FIRE BRIGADE**.
- 4. Delegate another person to ensure that **DOOR WARDENS** have been posted outside the relevant Fire Exit Doors.

- 5. Ensure that the **ZONE WARDEN** has reported to you on the results of his checks, **i.e.** that the rooms in use have been cleared of all persons.
- 6. If an Attendance Register has been taken, take a **ROLL CALL**.
- 7. Report the results of these checks to the Fire and Rescue Service on arrival and inform them of the location of the **FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL**.
- 8. Authorise return to the building only when it is cleared to do so by the **FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE OFFICER IN CHARGE**. Inform the **DOOR WARDENS** to allow re-entry to the building.

NOTE:

The Fire Alarm system will automatically call the Fire Brigade. The purpose of the 999 back-up call is to meet a requirement of the Fire Precautions Act to supplement the automatic call.

CHECKLIST FOR ZONE WARDEN

- 1. Carry out a physical check of the rooms being used for the meeting, including adjacent toilets, kitchen.
- 2. Ensure that **ALL PERSONS**, both officers and members of the public are made aware of the **FIRE ALERT**.
- 3. Ensure that ALL PERSONS evacuate IMMEDIATELY, in accordance with the FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE.
- 4. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** and report to the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that the rooms within your control have been cleared.
- 5. Assist the **PERSON IN CHARGE** to discharge their duties.

It is desirable that the **ZONE WARDEN** should be an **OFFICER** who is normally based in this building and is familiar with the layout of the rooms to be checked.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOOR WARDENS

- 1. Stand outside the FIRE EXIT DOOR(S)
- 2. Keep the **FIRE EXIT DOOR SHUT.**
- 3. Ensure that **NO PERSON**, whether staff or public enters the building until **YOU** are told by the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that it is safe to do so.
- 4. If anyone attempts to enter the premises, report this to the **PERSON IN CHARGE.**
- 5. Do not leave the door **UNATTENDED.**

Agenda Item 3

MEMBERS INTERESTS 2012

A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any matter considered at a meeting must disclose the interest to the meeting at which they are present, except where it has been entered on the Register.

A Member with a non pecuniary or pecuniary interest in any business of the Council must disclose the existence and nature of that interest at commencement of consideration or when the interest becomes apparent.

Where sensitive information relating to an interest is not registered in the register, you must indicate that you have an interest, but need not disclose the sensitive information.

Please tick relevant boxes		Notes	
	General		
1.	I have a disclosable pecuniary interest.		You cannot speak or vote and must withdraw unless you have also ticked 5 below
2.	I have a non-pecuniary interest.		You may speak and vote
3.	I have a pecuniary interest because		
	it affects my financial position or the financial position of a connected person or, a body described in 10.1(1)(i) and (ii) and the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice my judgement of the public interest		You cannot speak or vote and must withdraw unless you have also ticked 5 or 6 below
	or		
	it relates to the determining of any approval consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to me or a connected person or, a body described in 10.1(1)(i) and (ii) and the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice my judgement of the public interest		You cannot speak or vote and must withdraw unless you have also ticked 5 or 6 below
4.	I have a disclosable pecuniary interest (Dispensation 20/09/16) or a pecuniary interest but it relates to the functions of my Council in respect of:		
(i)	Housing where I am a tenant of the Council, and those functions do not relate particularly to my tenancy or lease.		You may speak and vote
(ii)	school meals, or school transport and travelling expenses where I am a parent or guardian of a child in full time education, or are a parent governor of a school, and it does not relate particularly to the school which the child attends.		You may speak and vote
(iii)	Statutory sick pay where I am in receipt or entitled to receipt of such pay.		You may speak and vote
(iv)	An allowance, payment or indemnity given to Members		You may speak and vote
(v)	Any ceremonial honour given to Members		You may speak and vote
(vi)	Setting Council tax or a precept under the LGFA 1992		You may speak and vote
5.	A Standards Committee dispensation applies (relevant lines in the budget – Dispensation 20/09/16 – 19/09/20)		See the terms of the dispensation
6.	I have a pecuniary interest in the business but I can attend to make representations, answer questions or give evidence as the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose		You may speak but must leave the room once you have finished and cannot vote

'disclosable pecuniary interest' (DPI) means an interest of a description specified below which is your interest, your spouse's or civil partner's or the interest of somebody who you are living with as a husband or wife, or as if you were civil partners and you are aware that that other person has the interest. Interest

Prescribed description

Employment, office, Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain. trade, profession or vocation Sponsorship Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant

authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by M in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of Μ. Page 531

	This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
Contracts	Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority—
	 (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land	
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to M's knowledge)—
	(a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and
	(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where—
	(a) that body (to M's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and
	(b) either—
	(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
	(ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

"body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest" means a firm in which the relevant person is a partner or a body corporate of which the relevant person is a director, or in the securities of which the relevant person has a beneficial interest; "director" includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society;

"land" excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for the relevant person (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income; "M" means a member of a relevant authority;

"member" includes a co-opted member; "relevant authority" means the authority of which M is a member;

"relevant period" means the period of 12 months ending with the day on which M gives notice to the Monitoring Officer of a DPI; "relevant person" means M or M's spouse or civil partner, a person with whom M is living as husband or wife or a person with whom M is living as if they were civil partners;

"securities" means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

'non pecuniary interest' means interests falling within the following descriptions:

- 10.1(1)(i) Any body of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management and to which you are appointed or nominated by your authority;
 - Any body (a) exercising functions of a public nature; (b) directed to charitable purposes; or (c) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union), of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management;
 - (iii) Any easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for you (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income.
- 10.2(2) A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting your wellbeing or financial position or the well-being or financial position of a connected person to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the ward, as the case may be, affected by the decision.

'a connected person' means

(a) a member of your family or any person with whom you have a close association, or

- (b) any person or body who employs or has appointed such persons, any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors;
- (c) any person or body in whom such persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000; or
- (d) any body of a type described in sub-paragraph 10.1(1)(i) or (ii).

'body exercising functions of a public nature' means

Regional and local development agencies, other government agencies, other Councils, public health bodies, council-owned companies exercising public functions, arms length management organisations carrying out housing functions on behalf of your authority, school governing bodies.

A Member with a personal interest who has made an executive decision in relation to that matter must ensure any written statement of that decision records the existence and nature of that interest.

NB Section 21(13) of the LGA 2000 overrides any Code provisions to oblige an executive member to attend an overview and scrutiny meeting to answer questions.



EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – 19 OCTOBER 2016

CONFERRING TITLE OF HONORARY ALDERMAN

1. **Preliminary**

At the commencement of the meeting, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will assume their usual seats wearing their Chains of office. Former Councillor Mrs Una Atherley will assume the seat allocated at the rear of the Chamber.

2. Prayers and Apologies - Items 1 and 2

The Mayor's Chaplain will say prayers following which the Mayor will receive any apologies for absence.

3. Declarations of Interest

4. **Procedure - Honorary Alderman (Mrs Una Atherley)**

- Councillor D Westley will move the motion on the agenda: "That pursuant to their powers under Section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do confer upon Mrs Una Atherley, the title of Honorary Alderman of the Borough of West Lancashire in recognition of the eminent services which she has rendered to the Council of the Borough of West Lancashire during the 25 years in which she was a Member of this Council".
- The Leader, Councillor Moran will second the motion.
- Councillor D Westley will then make a speech explaining why he has moved the motion.
- This will be followed by a speech from the seconder, Councillor Moran and other Councillors as appropriate.

The Vote

The Mayor will then put the motion to the vote by a show of hands and provided that there is not less than 2/3rds of the Members present voting for the Motion the Mayor will declare the Motion to be carried.

Presentation

1 The Mayor will move down to the table below the dais, inviting Mrs Atherley to join her. The Member Services/Civic Support Officer, will escort Mrs Atherley

to the front of the Chamber. The Mayor will then, on behalf of the Council, present Mrs Atherley with the Honorary Alderman Scroll, a Civic Gift and a bouquet of flowers. A photograph of the presentation will be taken.

2 The Mayor will then resume her seat on the dais. Mrs Atherley will follow the Mayor and assume the vacant seat next to the Mayor.

Response

Mrs Atherley will then respond.

5. Close

The Mayor will close the Extraordinary Council Meeting and will invite Aldermen, past Chairmen, Mayors and invited guests to join Mrs Atherley for a Reception in the Mayors Room.

(The ordinary meeting of the Council will start at the rising of this meeting, but not before 7.30pm.)