



GREAT YARMOUTH
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Council

Date: Tuesday, 20 February 2018

Time: 19:00

Venue: Council Chamber

Address: Town Hall, Hall Plain, Great Yarmouth, NR30 2QF

AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any items of urgent business.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

You have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in a matter to be discussed if it relates to something on your Register of Interests form. You must declare the interest and leave the room while the matter is dealt with.

You have a Personal Interest in a matter to be discussed if it affects

- your well being or financial position
- that of your family or close friends
- that of a club or society in which you have a management role
- that of another public body of which you are a member to a greater extent than others in your ward.

You must declare a personal interest but can speak and vote on the

matter.

Whenever you declare an interest you must say why the interest arises, so that it can be included in the minutes.

4 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To consider any announcements from Her Worship the Mayor.

5 MINUTES

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To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 14 December 2017.

6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Council will consider the following question from Mr L Sutton (Great Yarmouth Trades Union Council):-

"Please can the Leader of GYBC explain and justify the Council's continuing and significant expenditure on the local tourist industry in the face of projected £2.94 million funding gap (2020/21); that Great Yarmouth Trades Union Council believe does not represent a good use of public money, given the industry is typified by low wages, seasonal and casual employment that leaves many workers reliant on state benefits, amounting to a further state subsidy for the industry, that perpetuates the cycle of deprivation, and despair in the town?"

**7 SERVICE COMMITTEE DECISION LIST FOR THE PERIOD 7
DECEMBER 2017 TO 6 FEBRUARY 2018**

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Report attached.

8 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET SETTING 2018-19

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Report attached.

9 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2018-19

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Details attached.

Council will be asked to consider the replacement of Councillor Grant by Councillor Annison on the Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework.

To consider the following Motions on Notice :-

(a) Motion from Councillors Bensly, Plant, M Coleman, K Grey, A Grey and Grant.

"This Council resolves to write to the Right Honourable Brandon Lewis MP and Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Transport Chris Grayling, expressing our appreciation for the multi-million pounds of funding for the Third River Crossing and additional transport infrastructure currently being planned and implemented, and the confidence this demonstrates in the Borough. This crucial investment in Great Yarmouth is fundamental to secure Great Yarmouth's future economy for the next 40 years or so, ensuring Great Yarmouth is at the forefront of the offshore energy offer."

(b) Motion from Councillors Grant, Plant, Bensly, K Grey, A Grey

and Hacon

" This Council resolves to write to Sajid Javid Secretary of State for Housing Communities and Local Government and to Philip Hammond the Chancellor of the Exchequer to welcome the Government's commitment to build 300,000 homes a year and for the increased £2billion announced in the budget for affordable housing.

However we believe that Councils have a huge part to play and in particular those with HRA have an opportunity to go much further and faster than is currently envisaged. We therefore ask the Government to :-

Remove the debt cap for HRAs

Remove the HRA debt from the public sector debt to the private sector as it has with the housing associations.

Allow Local Authorities to keep all proceeds from right to buy sales, allow greater flexibility with the way its spent and allow discounts to be set locally.

Give greater financial freedoms and devolve powers to all Councils to invest in housing of all types of tenure that it requires and needs as opposed to a one size fits all policy."

**16 MOTION ON NOTICE TO RESCIND A PREVIOUS DECISION BY
COUNCIL RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTION WORKING
PARTY**

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In accordance with Articles 31.11 and 31.14.1 of the Constitution Councillors Wainwright, Fairhead, Smith, Plant, B Coleman, Lawn, Hacon, Hammond, Flaxman-Taylor, Bensly, Thirtle, Williamson, Walker, Walch, Annison and Grant have given notice of a Motion to rescind a decision made by Full Council on the 14 December 2017 in relation to the recommendations of the Constitution Working Party.

A copy of the relevant Council minute extract relating to this item is attached.

Council is advised that the reasons for the call to rescind are, firstly, that some Members were unclear that the vote was being taken en bloc in relation to all four recommendations and there was no opportunity for debate on individual recommendations, and secondly, that the new Monitoring Officer has advised that there is a procedural anomaly in relation to the outcome of the en bloc

decision, in that a further resolution would have been required to give practical effect to the decision in relation to the Scope of Motions.

17	<u>COUNCIL DECISION OF 14 DECEMBER 2017 ON</u>	145 -
	<u>CONSTITUTION WORKING PARTY RECOMMENDATIONS</u>	150

Report attached.

18 **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

In the event of the Committee wishing to exclude the public from the meeting, the following resolution will be moved:-

"That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12(A) of the said Act."

19 **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Details