



4 October 2011

**Dear Councillor / Honorary Alderman,**

## **Meeting of the Council – Wednesday 12 October 2011**

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council which will be held on **Wednesday 12 October 2011 at 10.00am in the Great Hall, Level 2, Manchester Town Hall for the following purposes:**

- 1. The Lord Mayor's Announcements and Special Business**  
Including business the Lord Mayor has agreed to have submitted as urgent.
- 2. Interests**  
To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears. Members with a personal interest should declare that interest at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.
- 3. Minutes** - to submit for approval and signature the Minutes of the special meeting and the ordinary meeting held on 13 July 2011.
- 4. Proceedings of the Executive.**  
To submit the proceedings of the Executive on 27 July and 14 September 2011, and in particular:

### **Exe/11/091 Capital Programme – Proposed Increases**

To approve increases in the capital budget as follows:

1. Corporate Services – Land adjacent to Macintosh Mill: to increase the capital budget by £350,000 in 2011/12 funded from the Capital Fund.
2. Chief Executive's Regeneration – Access Improvements for Disabled People at Various Locations: to increase the capital budget by £70,000 in 2011/12 funded from City Council resources.
3. Neighbourhood Services – Alley Gates: to increase the capital budget by £300,000 in 2011/12 funded from City Council resources.

## **Exe/11/105 Capital Programme – Proposed increases**

To approve increases in the capital budget as follows:

1. Chief Executive's Regeneration – Relocation of Gen Probe: To increase the capital budget by £250,000 in 2011/12, funded from ABG reserve.
2. Neighbourhood Services – CCTV Bus Lane and Parking Cameras: To increase the capital budget by £150,000 in 2011/12, funded from revenue.
3. Children's Services - Beaver Road Adaptations: To increase the capital budget by £100,000 in 2011/12, funded from revenue.
4. Chief Executive's Regeneration – Spinningfields: To increase the capital budget by £650,000 in 2011/12, funded from City Council resources

### **5. Questions to Executive Members under Procedural Rule 23.**

### **6. Overview and Scrutiny Committees.**

To note the Minutes of the following Committees –

Children and Young People – 19 July and 6 September 2011

Citizenship and Inclusion – 20 July and 7 September 2011

Communities and Neighbourhoods – 22 July and 6 September 2011

Economy, Employment and Skills – 20 July and 7 September 2011

Health and Well-being – 21 July and 8 September 2011

Resources and Governance – 21 July and 8 September 2011

### **7. Proceedings of Committees.**

- a) To submit for approval the minutes of the Constitutional and Nomination Committee on 3 October 2011 (see Item 9 on this summons) and to recommend Council to:
  1. respond to the Boundary Commission for England proposing that the only change to Manchester constituencies be the transfer of Moston Ward from Manchester Central to Blackley & Broughton, so as to bring the electorate of those two constituencies within the necessary range;
  2. authorise the Chief Executive to address the consequential effects on other constituencies arising from this counter proposal, so as to demonstrate that the achievement of the statutory criteria would not be prejudiced in other areas; and
  3. authorise the Chief Executive to then respond to the BCE by 5 December 2011.

- b) To note the proceedings of the following meetings acting under delegated powers –  
Audit Committee – 29 September 2011 (to follow)  
Licensing and Appeals Committee – 30 August and 3 October 2011  
Licensing Committee – 30 August 2011  
Personnel Committee – 27 July and 14 September 2011  
Planning and Highways Committee – 28 July, 18 August and 15 September 2011  
Wythenshawe Area Committee – 26 July and 22 September 2011

**8. Business of the Combined Authority, Joint Authorities and Joint Committees.**

To receive answers to any questions raised in accordance with Procedural Rule 24 on the business of: (a) the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, (b) the Greater Manchester Fire and Civil Defence Authority, (c) the Greater Manchester Police Authority, (d) the Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority, (e) the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee.

**9. Review of Parliamentary Constituencies**

The report of the Chief Executive is enclosed

**10. Key decisions exempted from call-in**

The report of City Solicitor is enclosed

**11 Motion – Responding to the Riots**

This Council condemns:

The rioting that took place in Manchester city centre on Tuesday 9 August 2011 as unjustified acts of criminality.

This Council Notes:

1. The damaging impact caused to residents and businesses, but that the clean up which took place the following day demonstrated the true spirit of the people of Manchester.
2. The difficult job faced by the police and other emergency services who put themselves at risk to protect lives and property.
3. The arrest of over 322 people connected with the riots in Manchester.
4. The hugely popular 'I Love Mcr' campaign initiated by Marketing Manchester, that helps to restore business confidence and promote the city.

This Council Resolves:

1. To support the action taken by the Deputy Prime Minister to establish a grassroots Communities and Victims Panel to listen to the views of those affected by the riots.
2. To congratulate the Courts in Manchester for their swift response in dealing with those arrested and convicted, and to support a riot payback scheme using restorative justice to make offenders be confronted by those that their offending harmed.
3. To support the Greater Manchester Police in learning lessons from these riots, and in particular that it underlines the need for a fully operational police station to continue to be based in the city centre.
4. To welcome the swift response from Government after the riots of a Recovery Fund and High Street Support Fund of £30m nationally to assist local authorities and help businesses in the aftermath of the riots.
5. That eviction from social housing should only be considered by the Council as a last resort.

Signed: Councillors Ramsbottom (proposer), Lewis, Pearcey, Shannon, DiMauro, Wheale

## **12 Motion – Bin collections**

Council notes:

1. the ongoing problems with the fortnightly bin collections and the communal bin systems;
2. that the streets of Manchester are currently filthy.

Council further notes that the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government has announced that £250m will be made available for Councils to return to a weekly bin collection.

Council resolves to ask the Officers to prepare a report on the Secretary of State's proposals for consideration at the next Executive meeting.

Signed: Councillors Pearcey (proposer), Shannon, Di Mauro, Ramsbottom, Wheale

## **13 Motion – Loan Sharks**

Council:

Notes and welcomes the UK-wide campaign to end 'legal loan sharking'.

Believes that the lack of access to affordable credit is socially and economically damaging. Unaffordable credit is causing a myriad of unwanted

effects such as poorer diets, colder homes, rent, council tax and utility arrears, depression (which impacts on job seeking behaviour) and poor health.

Further notes that unaffordable credit is extracting wealth from the most deprived communities.

Believes it is the responsibility of all levels of government to try to ensure affordable credit for all, and therefore pledges to use best practice to promote financial literacy and affordable lending. This will help to ensure that wealth stays in the local economy. We also pledge to promote credit unions in Manchester, community based organisations offering access to affordable credit and promoting saving.

Calls on the government to introduce caps on the total lending rates that can be charged for providing credit.

Calls on the government to give local authorities the power to veto licences for high street credit agencies where they could have negative economic or social impacts on communities.

Signed: Councillors S Murphy (proposer), Peel (seconder), J Battle, N Murphy, Smith, Longsdon

#### **14 Motion – Thank you Manchester**

Council gives a wholehearted vote of thanks to the men and women who protected our City and restored order to Manchester during and following the criminal disturbances in August.

Council asks the Chief Executive to make arrangements to invite public services, partner organisations, magistrates, businesses and retail organisations, residents, faith groups, "the clean up" volunteers and the many other individuals and groups to the Town Hall so a formal thank you and an appreciation can be given by the Lord Mayor and Members of the City Council to the people who played such an important part in our City when needed.

Signed: Councillors Leese (proposer), Karney (seconder), S Murphy, J Battle, Smith, N Murphy, Longsdon

#### **15 Motion – Fire Control Centres**

Council notes the complete failure of the previous Government's policy of forced regionalisation of England's Fire Control Centres, closing 46 local centres to be replaced by 9 super-centres. Nearly £500 million has been wasted without answering a single emergency call nor mobilising a single fire engine.

Council endorses the recent report of the Public Accounts Committee which found the project to be one of the worst failures it has seen and expressed

astonishment that no-one has been held to account for this scandalous waste of money.

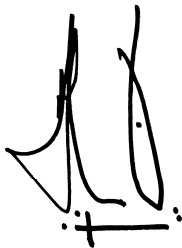
Council further notes that in October 2005 the Liberal Democrat Group on Greater Manchester's Fire & Rescue Authority tabled a motion expressing that the Authority was *"alarmed at the escalating costs of the Regional Control Centres and calls on the Government to halt the project for an independent enquiry into the public funding"* and *"we believe that the location of the North West Control Centre should be determined by locally elected members and senior fire officers with local knowledge and experience, rather than by faceless civil servants in London"*.

This Council believes that, instead of claiming civil servants kept him in the dark, Lord Prescott and successive Labour CLG Fire Ministers should apologise and take responsibility for the appalling mess they created.

Council believes that the people of Manchester are entitled to have their fire emergency calls answered by the most efficient and effective Control centre possible. Council therefore resolves to mandate its Fire Authority members to continue to work with the Chief Fire Officer to deliver a modern, reformed Control Centre for Greater Manchester's residents and to ensure that all future options are examined carefully to make certain they provide value for money.

Signed: Councillors Shannon (proposer), Ramsbottom, Pearcey, DiMauro, Wheale

Yours faithfully,



**Sir Howard Bernstein**  
**Chief Executive**

## **Further Information**

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For help, advice and information about this meeting please contact the Committee

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This summons was issued on **4 October 2011** by the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit, Manchester City Council, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA.

## Information about the Council

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The Council is composed of 96 councillors with one-third elected three years in four. Councillors are democratically accountable to residents of their ward. Their overriding duty is to the whole community, but they have a special duty to their constituents, including those who did not vote for them.

6 individuals with previous long service as councillors of the City have been appointed Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester and are entitled to attend every Council meeting. They do not however have a vote.

Councillors undertake to follow a code of ethical conduct to ensure high standards in the way they undertake their duties. A Standards Committee is established to train and provide guidance to them on the code of conduct.

All councillors meet together as the Council under the chairship of the Lord Mayor of Manchester. There are seven meetings of the Council in each Municipal year and they are open to the public. Here councillors decide the Council's overall strategic policies, initiate parliamentary bills to support local Acts, and set the Council budget each year.

Agenda, reports and minutes of all Council meetings can be found on the Council's website [www.manchester.gov.uk](http://www.manchester.gov.uk)

## Members of the Council

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### **Councillors -**

Ahmed, Akbar, Ali, Amesbury, Andrews, Austin, Barnes, Barrett, J. Battle, R. Battle, Boyes, Burns, Carmody, Chamberlain, Chappel, Chohan, Clayton, Cookson, Cooley, Cooper, Cowell, Cox, Craig, Curley, Di Mauro, Eakins, Ellison, Evans, Fairweather, Fender, W. Fisher, Flanagan, Fletcher-Hackwood, Glover, Grant, Green, Hackett, Hassan, Hennigan, Hitchen, Hughes, Hyde, Jones, Judge, Karney, Keegan, Keller, Khan, Kirkpatrick, Leese, Lewis, Longsdon, Loughman, Lone, Lyons, M. Murphy, N. Murphy, P. Murphy, S. Murphy, E. Newman, S. Newman, O'Callaghan, O'Connor, Barbara O'Neil, Brian O'Neil, Pagel, Paul, Pearcey, Peel, Priest, Pritchard, Rahman, Ramsbottom, Rawlins, Razaq, Reeves, Reid, Richards, Royle, Ryan, Sandiford, Shannon, Shaw, Siddiqi, Simcock, Smith, Smitheman, Strong, Swannick, Tavernor, Taylor, Trotman, Walters, Watson, Wheale and Whitmore

### **Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester-**

Gordon Conquest, William Egerton JP, Kenneth Franklin, Audrey Jones JP, Peter Morrison, Dame Kathleen Ollerenshaw and John Smith