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22 January 2013

Dear Councillor / Honorary Alderman,

Meeting of the Council – Wednesday 30 January 2013

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council which will be held on Wednesday 30 January 2013 at 10.00am in the Great Hall, Level 2, Manchester Town Hall for the following purposes:

- The Lord Mayor's Announcements and Special Business
 (and including other business the Lord Mayor has agreed to have submitted as urgent)
- 2. Address by Professor Kevin Anderson, Professor of Energy and Climate Change, Director of the Tyndall Energy Programme
- 3. Interests

To allow Members an opportunity to declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax or Council rent arrears. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

- **4. Minutes** to submit for approval and signature the Minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2012.
- 5. Proceedings of the Executive.

To submit the proceedings of the Executive on 19 December 2012, 16 January 2013 (to follow) and 23 January 2013 (to follow), and in particular:

Exe/12/151 Delegations for Budget Setting Process

To agree to delegate to the City Treasurer, in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance and Human Resources, authority to discharge the following functions:

- a. The calculation of the Council's business rate income including central government's share of such income and the GM Fire and Rescue Authority's share, pursuant to the Local Government Finance Acts 1988 and 2012 and any regulations made thereunder.
- b. Such other calculations in relation to business rate income as may be

- required pursuant to the Local Government Finance Acts 1988 and 2012 and any such regulations.
- c. The approval of Form NNDRI and the notification of the above calculations as required to the Secretary of State and the Fire and Rescue Authority.
- d. The agreement of dates for payment of their respective shares to central government, the Fire and Rescue Authority and the Council's general fund.
- e. The determination of whether the Council should be part of a business rate pooling arrangement with other local authorities in Greater Manchester.
- f. The calculation of the council tax base pursuant to the Local Government Finance Act 1992 and the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012.
- g. The agreement of dates for payment to the major precepting authorities (i.e. the Fire and Rescue Authority and the local policing body) of their share of council tax.

Exe/12/154 Capital Programme – Proposed Increases

To approve the increase in the capital budget by £56k in 2012/13, funded by revenue for the Alexandra House Ground Floor Refurbishment and increase the capital budget by £498k for a loan, funded by prudential borrowing for The Irish World Heritage Centre.

Exe/13/005 Localised Council Tax Support Scheme

To commend the revised Council Tax Support Scheme to Council.

Exe/13/006 Changes to Council Tax Discounts and Exemptions

To commend the following revised recommendations to Council (based on the revised legislation and new terminology used to describe dwelling classes and exemption categories).

Class B dwellings –unoccupied furnished dwellings

The Council will not award any discount on these properties. The charge will therefore be set at 100% of the Council Tax that is due.

Class C dwellings- unoccupied and unfurnished

The level of discount will be set at 100% for the first month that a property is empty. After this period the Council will award no further discounts. The charge for a class C dwelling will therefore be set at 100% of the Council Tax that is due after being empty for one month.

After a property has been empty for more than two years the Council will introduce an Empty Homes Premium. This shall be set at 150% of the Council Tax charge due for the property.

Class D dwellings- properties undergoing major repair or structural alteration

The level of discount shall be set at 50% for a period up to twelve months where the property meets the criteria. After which the property will revert to a class C charge (100% for a further twelve months and then 150% after two years).

Endorse the recommendation to use the Council's discretion to fully discount those unoccupied properties left unoccupied by armed forces personnel in the course of their duties.

6. Questions to Executive Members under Procedural Rule 23.

7. Scrutiny Committees.

To note the Minutes of the following Committees –

Young People and Children – 11 December 2012 and 8 January 2013 Communities – 12 December 2012 and 9 January 2013 Neighbourhoods – 11 December 2012 and 8 January 2013 Economy – 12 December 2012 and 9 January 2013 Health – 13 December 2012 and 10 January 2013 Finance – 13 December and 19 December 2012 and 10 January 2013 Joint Health Scrutiny – 14 January 2013

8. Proceedings of Committees.

- a) To submit for approval the minutes of the Constitutional and Nomination Committee on 30 January 2013 (to be tabled) and to consider recommendations made by the Committee in relation to amendments to the Constitution
- b) To note the proceedings of the following meetings acting under delegated powers –

Audit Committee – 24 January 2013 (to follow)
Licensing and Appeals Committee – 17 December 2012 and 21
January 2013
Licensing Committee – 17 December 2012 and 21 January 2013
Personnel Committee – 23 January 2013 (to follow)
Planning and Highways Committee – 20 December 2012 and 17
January 2013
Wythenshawe Area Committee – 20 December 2012

Wythenshawe Area Committee – 20 December 2012 Standards Committee – 14 January 2013

c) To submit for approval the minutes of the Licensing Policy Committee held on 21 January 2013 and to agree to adopt the Cumulative Impact and Saturation Policy in respect of Fallowfield/Wilmslow Road as determined by the Policy Committee, for incorporation within the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy.

9. 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.

10. Key Decisions

The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed for members' information.

11. The Youth Council – Amendment to the Constitution

The report of the City Solicitor is enclosed

12. Motion – A Jobs Strategy for Manchester

This Council welcomes the huge potential for job creation from Coalition Government investment in Manchester's economic future through:

- the electrification of rail lines from Manchester to destinations across the North West and to other Northern cities
- the improvement programme to renew Manchester Victoria Station
- the building of the Ordsall Chord and new platform capacity at Manchester Piccadilly Station
- the establishment of the Airport City Enterprise Zone including the Medipark linked to the University Hospital of South Manchester
- the funding of superfast broadband across Manchester
- the National Graphene Hub at Manchester University
- Manchester's unique and groundbreaking £1.2Billion City Deal
- the proposal to bring High Speed Rail right to the heart of Manchester
- the introduction of a High Beam Proton Therapy treatment facility at our world famous Christie Hospital
- the Green Deal for Manchester

and other projects in our city.

This Council agrees to ask the Chief Executive to draw up, as a matter of urgency, a clear Jobs Strategy for Manchester that sets out how the City Council will work with the managers of these projects to open up the jobs created to Manchester residents. The Jobs Strategy for Manchester needs to

show how Manchester residents can most easily train for and apply for the jobs being created by these vital investments and should recommend clear decisions on the education and training provision needed in our city to maximise the opportunities for Manchester residents to secure these jobs.

(Signed by: Councillors Wheale (proposer), Di Mauro, Clayton, Chamberlain, Hennigan)

Yours faithfully,

Sir Howard Bernstein Chief Executive

Information about the Council

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.

8 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.

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 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

Members of the Council

Councillors -

Adams, Ahmed, Akbar, A. Ali, N. Ali, Sameen Ali, Shaukat Ali, Amesbury, Andrews, Austin, Barrett, J. Battle, R. Battle, Boyes, Carmody, Chamberlain, Chappel, Chohan, Clayton, Cookson, Cooley, Cooper, Cowell, Cox, Craig, Curley, Davies, Di Mauro, Ellison, Evans, Fairweather, Fender, W. Fisher, Flanagan, Fletcher-Hackwood, Gillard, Green, Grimshaw, Hackett, Hassan, Hennigan, Hewitson, Hitchen, Hughes, Hyde, Judge, Kamal, Karney, Keegan, Keller, Khan, Kirkpatrick, Lanchbury, Leese, Lewis, Longsden, Loughman, Lone, Lyons, Midgley, M. Murphy, N. Murphy, P. Murphy, S. Murphy, E. Newman, S. Newman, Ollerhead, Barbara O'Neil, Brian O'Neil, Paul, Peel, Priest, Pritchard, Rahman, Raikes, Rawlins, Razaq, Reeves, Reid, Richards, Royle, Siddiqi, Simcock, Shone, Smith, Smitheman, Stogia, Stone, Strong, Swannick, Tavernor, Taylor, Trotman, Walters, Watson and Wheale

Honorary Aldermen of the City of Manchester-

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

Further Information

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

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This summons was issued on **22 January 2013** by the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit, Manchester City Council, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA.