Summons to attend meeting of Full Council



Date: Tuesday 10 November 2015

Time: 6.00 p.m.

Venue: The Grace Room, The Bristol Pavilion,

Gloucestershire County Cricket Club ground,

Nevil Road, Bristol BS7 9EJ

To: All members of Council

You are invited to attend the meeting of the Full Council to be held at 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday 10 November 2015.

Councillors are reminded that before the Full Council meeting, a member forum will be held, chaired by the Lord Mayor, starting at 5.00 p.m.

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Agenda













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- To approve the minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council meeting held on 15 September 2015.

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- To approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 15 September 2015.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To note any declarations of interest from members of Council.

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4. PETITIONS, STATEMENTS AND QUESTIONS NOTIFIED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(maximum time allocation: 30 minutes)

a. Petitions and statements from members of the public

(on any matter the Council is responsible for or which directly affects the city):

Note:

- Subject to the above, members of the public, provided they give notice in writing or by e-mail (and include their name, address, and details of the wording of the petition, and, in the case of a statement, a copy of the submission) by no later than 12.00 noon on the working day before the meeting, may present a petition or submit a statement to this Full Council meeting.
- The deadline for receipt of petitions and statements is 12.00 noon on Monday **9 November 2015.** These should be sent, in writing or by e-mail to: Democratic Services, Floor 4 – Clifton Wing, Brunel House, St George's Road, Bristol BS1 5UY

e-mail: democratic.services@bristol.gov.uk

- Petitions will be received ahead of statements.
- One statement per member of the public shall be admissible.



- A maximum of one minute shall be allowed for the presentation of each petition and statement (subject to overall time constraints).
- A person presenting a petition will be permitted to read out the objectives of the petition. A written reply will be provided within 10 working days of the Full Council meeting.
- Statements, provided they are of reasonable length, will be copied and circulated to councillors and a reasonable number of copies will be made available to the public attending the meeting. If requested by the person submitting the statement, a written reply will be provided within 10 working days of the Full Council meeting.

b. Questions from members of the public

(on any matter the Council is responsible for or which directly affects the city):

- Subject to the above, questions may be asked by a member of the public, provided they give notice in writing or by e-mail (and include their name and address) no later than 3 clear working days before the day of the meeting.
- The deadline for receipt of questions for is 5.00 pm on Wednesday 4
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 Bristol BS1 5UY

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- A maximum of 2 written questions per person can be asked. At the meeting, a maximum of 1 supplementary question may be asked per question submitted. A supplementary question must arise directly out of the original question or reply.
- Replies to questions will be given verbally at the meeting. If a reply cannot be given at the meeting (including due to lack of time) or if written confirmation of the verbal reply is requested by the questioner, a written reply will be provided within 10 working days of the meeting.

5. PETITIONS NOTIFIED BY COUNCILLORS

(maximum time allocation: 10 minutes)

- Members of the Council, provided they give notice in writing or by e-mail by no later than 12.00 noon on the working day before the meeting, may present a petition to the Full Council.
- The deadline for notice of petitions is 12.00 noon on Monday 9 November.
 These should be sent, in writing or by e-mail to: Democratic Services, Floor 4 Clifton Wing, Brunel House, St George's Road, Bristol BS1 5UY e-mail: democratic.services@bristol.gov.uk



- Petitions can be about any matter the Council is responsible for or which directly affect the city.
- A councillor presenting a petition will be permitted to read out the objectives of the petition. A written reply will be provided to the councillor / lead petitioner within 10 working days of the Full Council meeting.

Note: It is anticipated that the Full Council will adjourn for a 20 minute refreshment break at this point in the meeting (at approximately 6.40 p.m.)

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10. MOTIONS: (maximum time allocation: 30 minutes)

a. Cllr Wollacott (Labour group) to move:

STANDING AGAINST THE TRADE UNION BILL

"Bristol City Council recognises the positive contribution that trade unions and trade union members make in our workplaces. We value the constructive relationship that the City Council has with our trade unions and we recognise their commitment, and the commitment of all our staff, to the delivery of good quality public services in Bristol.



We acknowledge that there are around 100,000 trade union members in the Bristol area and we recognise that many hardworking Bristol City Council employees have exercised their right to be a member of a trade union. We reaffirm our commitment to support and promote trade union activities in the workplace.

We note with concern the Trade Union Bill which is currently being proposed by the Government would affect this Council's relationship with our trade unions and our workforce. Furthermore we believe the Government's plans will lead to a more confrontational relationship between the Council and its employees which could damage the public services we provide.

This Council believes that facility time, negotiated and agreed by us and our trade unions to suit our joint needs, has a valuable role to play in the creation and delivery of good quality and responsive services for the residents of Bristol. Moreover we believe that facility time should not be determined or controlled by Government in London.

This Council is content with the arrangements we currently have in place for deducting trade union membership subscriptions through our payroll. We see this as an important part of our positive industrial relations and a simple way to administer a system that supports our employees. This system is an administrative matter for the Council and should not be interfered with by the Government in Westminster.

We call upon the Mayor to:

- 1. Publically reject the Government's attack on Trade Unions and its attack on our right to manage our own affairs
- 2. Write to the Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills stating the Council's opposition to the Government's Trade Union Bill.
- 3. Continue its own locally agreed industrial relations strategy, take every measure possible to maintain its autonomy; (i) To maintain the current facility that recognised trade unions can have subscriptions deducted through payroll, (which is, de-facto zero cost to the Council) unless legally obliged to, in which case we will support trade unions' efforts to move members onto direct debit. (ii) Maintain the current level of release time for Trade Union representatives.
- 4. Write to all Bristol MPs informing them of Bristol City Council's position and encouraging them to oppose the Trade Union Bill.
- 5. Protect Bristol City Council employee's right to strike by committing to refusing to use agency workers to cover permanent staff during industrial action."

NOTE:

Given the maximum time limit for motions as defined in the constitution, the Lord Mayor, in discussion with party group leaders/whips has determined that motion a. will be considered first at this meeting. Members of Council are advised that details of the other motions submitted are also set out below (motion b. through to motion n.). Motion b. below may be considered if time allows. Given the overall time allocation for motions, it is unlikely that motions c. – n. will be considered.



b. Cllr Hiscott (Conservative group) to move:

PARKING PROBLEMS AS A RESULT OF THE REBUILT SOUTHMEAD HOSPITAL

"Council notes with concern the abject failure of the Mayor to plan for, mitigate, or even grasp the enormity of the parking misery created for residents as a result of the rebuilt Southmead Hospital.

Unlike contingency measures put in place by our neighbouring Authority, of a special permit scheme – which has avoided all of these difficulties - Council is concerned that no practical steps have been taken over the last two years to support people who live in the streets surrounding this major redevelopment.

As a result, residential streets in Horfield and Southmead continue to be overwhelmed by staff and visitors looking for a free place to park on a daily basis. A situation which, Council feels, is unlikely to change even with the completion of an on-site multi-storey car park for 2,700 vehicles as this option is dependent upon a willingness to pay or purchase a permit.

Furthermore, the current consultation on the introduction of double yellow lines to protect road junctions and driveways represents a woefully inadequate response to the car chaos afflicting this area. Such a move would be akin to putting a sticking plaster over a gangrenous wound.

Accordingly, Council calls on the Mayor to instruct Officers to work with the local communities to create a bespoke Residents' Parking Zone' around the hospital, cost-free to residents, and paid for largely out of the development monies associated with this building project.

It is the firm view of this Council that such a move represents the only realistic solution to what has already become a long-term problem."

c. CIIr Eddy (Conservative group) to move:

ASHTON/ASHTON GATE NEW RAIL STATION AND PARSON STREET STATION UPGRADE

"Council welcomes the Assistant Mayor's recent commitment to work with Bristol Sport, Network Rail, First Great Western and other interested parties to try to deliver a new Ashton/Ashton Gate railway station.

Whilst the Authority is still evaluating all of its options for new stations in Bristol, Council requests that the Mayor do all within his power to try to expedite the reopening of this station.

In addition, Council understands that electrification of the Great Western Railway is scheduled to reach Bristol in 2017 but this is due to terminate at Bath Road Bridge near Temple Meads Station.



As part of these plans to upgrade our urban rail network, Council asks that the potential electrification of the lines around Parson Street junction should also be included in any future development work.

The enhancement of passenger services available from Parson Street station would demonstrate this Authority's sincerity in reviving local rail and tap into a potentially huge number of people who would like to use this form of travel more regularly or as part of their daily commute."

d. Cllr Milestone (Labour group) to move:

Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership

"This council notes:

- 1. That the EU and USA launched negotiations on a Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).
- 2. That negotiations are underway to determine which goods and services TTIP will apply to and if new rules can be agreed to protect investors, harmonise standards, reduce tariffs and open new markets throughout the EU and USA.
- 3. That there has been no impact assessment about the potential impact on local authorities such as Bristol City Council.
- 4. That there has been no scrutiny of the negotiating texts by local government and no consultation with local government representatives
- 5. That MPs are also unable to scrutinise the negotiating documents.

This council believes that:

- 1. TTIP could have a detrimental impact on local services, employment, suppliers and decision-making.
- 2. A thorough impact assessment of TTIP on local authorities must be undertaken before the negotiations can be concluded.
- 3. The proposed Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) mechanism has been used by corporations to overturn democratic decisions by all levels of governments at significant public cost. Local decision-making must be protected from ISDS.
- 4. The EU's food, environmental and labour standards are better than those in the US and TTIP negotiations must raise and not lower these standards across the EU and USA.
- 5. Sourcing supplies and employment locally is important to strengthening local economies and meeting local needs. TTIP must not impact on local authorities' ability to act in the best interests its communities.

This council calls upon the Mayor to:

- 1. Write to the secretary of state for communities and local government, local MPs and all South West MEPs raising our serious concerns about the impact of TTIP on local authorities and the secrecy of the negotiating process.
- 2. Write to the Local Government Association to raise our serious concerns about the impact of TTIP on local authorities and ask them to raise these with government on our behalf.



- 3. Call for an impact assessment on the impact of TTIP on local authorities.
- 4. Publicise the council's concerns about TTIP; join with other local authorities which are opposed to TTIP across Europe and work with local campaigners to raise awareness about the problems of TTIP.
- 5. Contact the local authorities neighbouring Bristol asking them to consider passing a similar motion on TTIP."

e. Cllr Holland (Labour group) to move:

POVERTY AND DEPRIVATION

"Bristol City Council notes with concern the publication of the latest Index of Multiple Deprivation 2015, which reveals that more of Bristol residents now live in areas that fall within the most deprived areas of England than in 2010.

According to figures published by the Department for Communities and Local Government around 69,000 Bristolians live in the most deprived areas in England, including over 17,000 children and 10,500 older people.

In short, the report shows that 16% of Bristol's total population live in the most deprived areas compared to 14% in 2010 - an increase of two percentage points.

Council is deeply concerned that Bristol, despite its economic strengths, is becoming a more unequal city with Whitchurch Park, Hartcliffe, Filwood and Lawrence Hill wards suffering from the greatest levels of deprivation in Bristol.

Accordingly, this Council calls on the Mayor to:

- 1. Re-visit and update the Child Poverty Strategy 2011 and work with the Council's partners, including the LEP, to commit to its recommendations.
- 2. Ring fence funding for community based early years services, including children's centres, which operate in the areas of highest deprivation.
- 3. Ensure that the Social Value policy, currently out to consultation, is as strong and binding as possible so that all future services commissioned and procured by the Council have to show how they improve the economic, social and environmental well-being of residents as part of the Public Services Social Value Act 2012.
- 4. Embed a requirement that all major projects, including the arena, explicitly commit to playing a full part in addressing inequality in the City, from start (e.g. construction firms) to finish (e.g. access to services and employment).
- 5. Ensure that the future reshaping of Neighbourhood Partnerships addresses the inbuilt inequality of the current arrangements, by matching resources to need."



f. Cllr Holland (Labour group) to move:

DEVOLUTION IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

"This Council recognises that the West of England is a local economic area with over 90% of its residents working within its area. It is the only City Region outside London to be a net contributor to national resources and its four local authorities must not miss out compared to other parts of the England in terms of the devolution of power and resources.

The partnership between our four local authorities is our key external relationship. We are proud of the heritage and distinct identity of our own district and respect those of the other three West of England authorities.

Council commits to looking favourably on any proposals for devolution that pass the tests of democracy, accountability and scrutiny. True devolution should be about all local services and how to give local people and their elected representatives a greater say on how they are run.

Council believes that the West of England local authorities have demonstrated that they can work constructively within existing structures. We want to see an approach to devolution that is focussed on building upon this co-operation rather than imposing new governance arrangements.

Council believes that devolution and co-operation should extend beyond the current range of local services. We want to see decision —making powers over skills and local bus and rail services delegated to a more local level, better co-ordination and partnership across the range of public services, including health and policing and a more strategic overview and assessment of housing and especially affordable housing. We also want to see greater powers of scrutiny over the Local Economic Partnership and other decision-making bodies spending public money.

Council resolves to adopt these principles in any discussions on the shape of devolution for the West of England. Council further resolves to communicate this vision to Central Government and to ask our local MPs to share this vision and communicate it to Ministers.

Council resolves to urge Central Government to offer far greater control of local finances to local authorities, including the further localising of business rates.

Council confirms its opposition to a 'Metro Mayor' for the West of England and calls on Central Government to offer our sub region a full model of devolution at least equal to that offered to other parts of England that does not impose this unwanted structure on the West of England."



g. Clir McMullen (Green group) to move:

ESTABLISHING BRISTOL AS A TRANSATLANTIC TRADE AND INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP FREE ZONE

"This council notes:

- 1. That the EU and USA launched negotiations in July 2013 on a Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).
- 2. That negotiations are underway to determine which goods and services TTIP will apply to and if new rules can be agreed to protect investors, harmonise standards, reduce tariffs and open new markets throughout the EU and USA.
- 3. That there has been no impact assessment about the potential impact on local authorities.
- 4. That there has been no scrutiny of the negotiating texts by local government and no consultation with local government representatives
- 5. That MPs are also unable to scrutinise the negotiating documents.

This council believes that:

- 1. TTIP could have a detrimental impact on local services, employment, suppliers and decision-making.
- 2. A thorough impact assessment of TTIP on local authorities must be undertaken before the negotiations can be concluded.
- The proposed Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) mechanism has been used by corporations to overturn democratic decisions by all levels of governments at significant public cost. Local decision-making must be protected from ISDS.
- 4. The EU's food, environmental and labour standards are better than those in the US and TTIP negotiations must raise and not lower these standards across the EU and USA.
- 5. Sourcing supplies and employment locally is important to strengthening local economies and meeting local needs. TTIP must not impact on local authorities' ability to act in the best interests its communities.

This council resolves:

- 1. To write to the secretary of state for communities and local government, local MPs, and all South West MEPs raising our serious concerns about the impact of TTIP on local authorities and the secrecy of the negotiating process.
- 2. To write to the local government association to raise our serious concerns about the impact of TTIP on local authorities and ask them to raise these with government on our behalf.
- 3. To call for an impact assessment of TTIP on local authorities.
- 4. To publicise the council's concerns about TTIP; join with other local authorities which are opposed to TTIP across Europe and work with local campaigners to raise awareness about the problems of TTIP."



h. Cllr Denyer (Green group) to move:

LESSENING THE DAMAGE OF THE TRADE UNION BILL

"This Council:

- Recognises the positive contribution that trade unions and trade union members make in our workplaces;
- Values the constructive relationship that we have with our trade unions and we recognise their commitment, and the commitment of all our staff, to the delivery of good quality public services;
- Is clear that facility time, negotiated and agreed by us and our trade unions to suit our own specific needs, has a valuable role to play in the creation of good quality and responsive local services. Facility time should not be determined or controlled by Government;
- Is happy with the arrangements we currently have in place for deducting trade union membership subscriptions through our payroll ("check-off"). We see this as an important part of our positive industrial relations and a cheap and easy to administer system that supports our staff;
- Notes with concern the Trade Union Bill which is currently being proposed by the Government and which would affect this Council's relationship with our trade unions and our workforce as a whole. This Council rejects this Bill's attack on local democracy and the attack on our right to manage our own affairs, as many sections of the Bill place increased power in the hands of the Secretary of State.

Therefore this Council resolves to make the best use of the powers it would retain as an employer, to reduce the damage to its employees from the Trade Union Bill and associated proposals, in the event of the Bill being passed. This Council agrees:

- To seek to continue its own locally agreed industrial relations strategy and take every measure possible to maintain its autonomy with regard to facility time and the continuing use of check-off;
- If it is not legally possible to continue the use of check-off indefinitely, this Council will
 extend it for the maximum possible time, to allow unions to transfer all members to
 alternative payment systems;
- Not to hire agency staff to cover for striking workers.* "
- * (The Conservative manifesto committed to repealing "nonsensical restrictions banning employers from hiring agency staff to provide essential cover during strikes". Although the Bill does not include provisions to achieve this the Government is consulting on draft regulations which would, and could be made under existing powers.

 [http://researchbriefings.files.parliament.uk/documents/CBP-7295/CBP-7295.pdf])



i. Cllr Bolton (Green group) to move:

BLUE BADGE PARKING IN RESIDENT PARKING AREAS

"Council recognises that many Bristolians face severe impediments to their mobility and that the Blue Badge scheme is designed to help alleviate the mobility barriers affecting many people with disabilities.

Council notes the amendment passed at the last budget meeting which received unanimous support seeking to address these issues, and further notes the debate in which the amendment was seen as a starting point rather than an end point for addressing the needs of blue badge holders. This amendment has been ignored.

Council further notes on-going concerns raised by people with disabilities about the adequacy of parking arrangements under RPS. This is in contrast to the view of the council that there is no such problem.

Council also notes an 'ask' from the Bristol Disability Equality Forum that blue badge holders be able to park within 50m of their destination within RPZs, or at least to be able to park in the same way they can everywhere else in the city.

As such council calls on the Mayor to work with Bristol Disability Equality Forum and other relevant organisations and individuals to:

- Review the current arrangements for Blue Badge holders in RPS areas
- Report back to full council and scrutiny on any recommendations for changes to those arrangements

This may mean simply exempting blue badge holders from the RPS system altogether or may mean other forms of action."

j. Cllr Fodor (Green group) to move:

PROMOTING PASSIVHAUS DEVELOPMENT ON COUNCIL LAND

"This Council notes:

- The government cancelling the introduction of Zero Carbon Home Standards in 2016
- The negative impact this will have on householders at risk of fuel poverty in new housing
- The missed opportunity to reduce carbon emissions in new developments
- The loss of income to the local economy as a result of these lower energy efficiency standards, as householders' income is spent paying energy bills rather than in local shops and on local services

This Council believes:

 That under the principle of "localism" councils can determine their own standards on land that they own if those standards comply with UK Building Regulations

- That the internationally recognised "Passivhaus Standards" offers an alternative to the UK's diminished energy efficiency ambitions for new-build housing
- That the "Passivhaus Standard" complies with UK Building Regulations and can deliver heating bills of less than £100/year for the average three bedroom terrace

This Council agrees:

 To specify Passivhaus Standards on all building on Council-owned land or as a condition of sale on any council land

To work in partnership with organisations and developers to enable and support such standards across the city"

k. Cllr Bolton (Green group) to move:

TRANSPORT TO ASHTON GATE

"Council recognises and welcomes the promotion of Bristol City Football Club into the championship, and further looks forward to their promotion to the premiership. In addition, hopefully, it is only a matter of time before Bristol Rugby is promoted to the Premiership.

However, success brings its problems. In both cases, they are the fact that up to 27,000 supporters will visit Ashton Gate for each Bristol City or Bristol Rugby home game and, including the attraction of the new conference and exhibition facilities, Ashton Gate Stadium Ltd predicts up to 3 million visitors a year will use the stadium complex by 2019.

Council further notes the introduction of residents parking in Southville and parts of Ashton - and with it the possibility that residents will seek an extension of the scheme to cover match days and other major occasions. Without an effective public transport infrastructure for this part of Bristol, which is the responsibility of the Council, stadium traffic in particular could be hugely disruptive.

In order to cater for this number of visitors to the Ashton area, which will be of significant benefit to the local economy, a number of measures need to be taken to deal with them. These include:

- 1. Opening/re-opening the rail station at Ashton Gate on the Portishead line at the same time as the railway line opens in 2019.
- 2. To build in to any future Long Ashton Park and Ride contract the need to be open on match days and for other major stadium events.
- 3. To include a Metrobus stop located immediately adjacent to the new Ashton Gate railway station to allow stadium visitors to easily get from the Long Ashton Park and Ride to the stadium, thus providing a true transport interchange.
- 4. To obtain whatever permissions may be required to enable 'park and walk' from the Long Ashton Park & Ride to allow visitors to walk (or cycle) to the stadium.



- 5. To introduce where required high quality walking and cycling routes to the stadium.
- 6. To lobby for improved bus services to the stadium and local area and to take other measures which may be appropriate.

Council calls on the Mayor to produce an action plan to cater for this increase in demand at Ashton Gate, which should be appropriately scrutinised, but above all implemented."

I. Cllr Telford (Green group) to move:

INTRODUCE PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION FOR LOCAL ELECTIONS

"Council notes:

That at this year's General Election, over 5 million people voted for two parties (Green and UKIP) who won two seats between them, while less than 1.5 million votes gave the Scottish National Party 56 seats.

That in Bristol, over 60% of voters in our four parliamentary constituencies voted for candidates who didn't get elected.

That when Scotland introduced the proportional STV system for local government in 2007 the number of voters whose first choice candidate was elected rose from 52.3% to 74.0% (Electoral Reform Society)

Therefore, Council RESOLVES to ask the Mayor to:

- Write to the Government and our local MPs stating that the Council supports a system of proportional representation (PR) for local and national Government, and to suggest Bristol as a possible pilot area for PR in local government.
- Begin the process for making a proposal under the Sustainable Communities Act to ask Government to allow councils to choose to be elected under PR."

m. Cllr Thomas (Green group) to move:

SUPPORTING THE INTRODUCTION OF A NEW FLEET OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES

"Council expresses its support for the West of England's current bid for £11m of government funding from the Office of Low Emissions Vehicles through their "Go Ultra Low West" campaign.

Council notes the bid's potential to increase the current network of electric vehicle charging points in the West of England, from 200 to up to more than 600.



Council also notes the carbon emissions savings that the growth in electric vehicles will bring to Bristol and resolves to continue to highlight and promote the use of electric vehicles through its policies and public relations strategy."

n. Cllr Hopkins (Liberal Democrat group) to move:

FACTUAL CHECKING OF VERBAL AND WRITTEN OUTPUTS

"This council regrets that since the start of this present administration there has been a significant replacement of facts and meaningful statistics with spin. This council calls for proper factual checking of verbal and written outputs."

By order of the Lord Mayor





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