HALTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes. WA8 7QF

12 April 2011

TO: MEMBERS OF THE HALTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend an Ordinary Meeting of the Halton Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall on Wednesday, 20 April 2011 commencing at 6.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering and passing such resolution(s) as may be deemed necessary or desirable in respect of the matters mentioned in the Agenda.

David WR

Chief Executive

-AGENDA-

1. PAUL HANCOCK, CHIEF FIRE OFFICER, CHESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

The Chief Fire Officer, Paul Hancock, will brief Members on Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service.

- 2. COUNCIL MINUTES
- 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 4. THE MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 6. LEADER'S REPORT

7. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

- a) 10 February 2011
- b) 3 March 2011
- c) 17 March 2011
- d) 31 March 2011

8. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SUB COMMITTEE

- a) 10 February 2011
- b) 3 March 2011
- c) 17 March 2011
- d) 1 April 2011

9. MINUTES OF THE MERSEY GATEWAY EXECUTIVE BOARD

a) 17 March 2011

10. QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER STANDING ORDER 8

11. MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION OF THE COUNCIL

a) School's Capital Programme for 2011/12- KEY DECISION (Minute EXB 106 refers)

The Executive Board considered the attached report:-

RECOMMENDED: That

- 1) the capital funding available for 2011/12 be noted;
- 2) the proposals to be funded from Capital Maintenance and the position in respect of Basic Need be noted;
- 3) Council be recommended to approve the Capital Programme 2011/12; and
- 4) a further report be submitted to Executive Board to detail how the Basic Need capital funding would be spent in 2011/12.
- b) Calendar of Meetings 2011/12- (Minute EXB 118 refers)

The Executive Board considered the attached report:-

RECOMMENDED: That Council approve the Calendar of Meetings for the 2011/12 Municipal Year.

c) Review of Council Constitution 2011- (Minute EXB 119 refers)

The Executive Board considered the attached report:-

RECOMMENDED: That Council approve the updates to the Constitution as detailed in the Appendix attached to the report.

 Adoption of the Sustainable Community Strategy 2011-2026 KEY DECISION -(Minute EXB 111 refers) The Executive Board considered the attached report:-

RECOMMENDED: That Council be recommended to adopt the Sustainable Community Strategy 2011-2026.

e) Arrangements for the Appointment of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2011/12- (Minute MYR2 refers)

The Mayoral Committee considered a Part II item making recommendations for the appointment of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2011/12 Municipal Year:-

Council is requested to note these recommendations as follows. Formal confirmation will be sought at the annual meeting.

- 1) Councillor D Findon be appointed as the Mayor; and
- 2) Councillor T McInerney be appointed as the Deputy Mayor.
- f) Abandoned Shopping Trolley Policy- (Minute ES 98 refers)

The Executive Board Sub Committee considered the attached report:-

RECOMMENDED: That

- 1) the Sub-Committee endorse the adoption of the draft Abandoned Shopping Trolley Policy as set out in the report; and
- 2) the Council be recommended:
 - to adopt Section 99 Schedule 4 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (as amended by the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005) on 1st August 2011;

- (ii) to adopt the draft Abandoned Shopping Trolley Policy as set out in the report;
- (iii) the Strategic Director Communities be authorised to determine all matters relating to abandoned shopping trolleys, including the fixing of charges for the purposes of Schedule 4 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (as amended by the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005); and
- (iv) the Strategic Director Communities be given the power to authorise suitable individuals to enforce compliance with the Abandoned Shopping Trolley Policy throughout the Borough.

12. DIRECTORATE PLANS 2011-14

RECOMMENDED: That

- 1) the draft Directorate Plans be received; and
- 2) the Chief Executive be authorised, in consultation with the Leader, to make any final amendments and adjustments that may be required.

13. NOTICE OF MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER 6

The following motion has been submitted in accordance with Standing Order No.6:

Proposer: Councillor A McDermott

Seconder: Councillor A Lowe

"This Council is opposed to the unfairness of the cuts being imposed upon the people of Halton which seem to fall most heavily on the neediest in our community – the young, the old and the sick. In particular this Council objects strongly to:

- The withdrawal of BSF funding from our schools
- The reduction in the support which EMA (Educational Maintenance Allowance) affords to young students
- The reductions in winter fuel payments to our pensioners , and
- The threats to our health care of the privatisation of the NHS

We therefore resolve that this Council write to the Prime Minister and the Deputy Prime Minister expressing our deep concerns".

14. MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND PERFORMANCE BOARDS AND THE BUSINESS EFFICIENCY BOARD

- a) Children, Young People and Families yellow pages
- b) Employment, Learning, Skills and Community cream pages
- c) Health blue pages
- d) Safer pink pages
- e) Environment and Urban Renewal green pages
- f) Corporate Services salmon pages
- g) Business Efficiency Board white pages

15. COMMITTEE MINUTES

- a) Development Control pink pages
- b) Regulatory blue pages
- c) Mayoral Committee- white pages