



BLACKPOOL COUNCIL

Tuesday, 18 November 2014

To: The Members of Blackpool Council

Mr Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **Blackpool Council** to be held in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Blackpool on Wednesday, 26 November 2014 commencing at 6.00 pm for the transaction of the business specified below.

Director of Governance and Regulatory Services

Business

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests in the items under consideration and in doing so state:

- (1) the type of interest concerned; and
- (2) the nature of the interest concerned

If any member requires advice on declarations of interests, they are advised to contact the Head of Democratic Governance in advance of the meeting.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2014 (Pages 1 - 8)

To agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 17 September 2014 as a true and correct record.

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive official announcements from the Mayor.

4 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

(Pages 9 - 58)

To receive reports from the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Members and consider matters arising from councillors.

- a) Leader of the Council - Councillor Blackburn
- b) Cabinet Member for Urban Regeneration - Councillor Jackson
- c) Cabinet Member for Housing, Public Safety and Enforcement - Councillor Campbell
- d) Cabinet Member for Children's Services – Councillor I Taylor
- e) Cabinet Member for Tourism and Leisure - Councillor Cain
- f) Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care - Councillor Rowson
- g) Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Equality and Diversity - Councillor Jones
- h) Cabinet Member for Public Health - Councillor Collett
- i) Cabinet Member for Street Scene and the Environment – Councillor Cross
- j) Cabinet Member for Culture and Heritage – Councillor Wright

5 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

(Pages 59 - 66)

To consider a review of the political balance calculations following the election of Councillor Derek Robertson at the recent by election for Waterloo ward.

6 MOTIONS AT COUNCIL

(Pages 67 - 68)

To consider the following motions which have been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 12.1 :-

- a) CLASSIFICATION OF HOLIDAY FLATS. Councillor Smith to propose.

“Blackpool Council is concerned that holiday flats and permanent flats fall within the same use class in terms of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended). Both currently fall within use Class C3 - 'dwellinghouses' and hence there is no material change of use involved if a holiday flat changes to a permanent flat (unless there is a condition or conditions attached to the planning permission which preclude the change).

This is a problem in Blackpool for a number of reasons. Many holiday flats were approved in the 1960's, 1970's and early 1980's when it was never envisaged that there would be a reduced demand for this type of accommodation and hence no conditions were applied to the planning permissions to restrict them solely to holiday flats.

The Council considers that holiday flats would be more appropriately classed as C1 which comprises the following 'hotel, boarding house or guesthouse'. This would allow holiday flats to be converted to hotels and guesthouses without requiring planning permission whilst retaining the holiday character of streets in the town whilst preventing the creation of further one bed flats in the town of which there is already a

substantial stock.

The Council therefore requests the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government to seek a change in the legislation so that holiday flats fall within use Class C1, rather than C3, for the reasons outlined”

Venue information:

First floor meeting room (lift available), accessible toilets (ground floor), no-smoking building.

Other information:

For queries regarding this agenda please contact Yvonne Burnett, Democratic Services Projects Officer, Tel: (01253) 477034, e-mail yvonne.burnett@blackpool.gov.uk

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