

To: **The Worshipful the Mayor of the Borough of Wyre  
and all Members of the Council**

**BOROUGH OF WYRE**

Civic Centre,  
Poulton-le-Fylde

15 January 2014

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Wyre Borough Council to be held at the Civic Centre, Breck Road, Poulton-le-Fylde on **Thursday 23 January 2014** commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Yours sincerely,



**G Payne**  
**Chief Executive**

Prior to the start of the meeting the Mayor will invite the Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Jayne Ward, to say prayers.

**COUNCIL AGENDA**

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2013 (pages 1 - 11).

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any declarations of interest from any Member or Officer on any item on this Agenda.

All Members are asked to submit any declarations in writing by 9.30 am on Wednesday 22 January 2014, if possible.

4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive any announcements from the Mayor, Leader, Deputy Leader, Members of the Cabinet, a Chairman of a Committee or the Chief Executive.

*(The Mayor will announce the name of the Mayor Elect and the Deputy Mayor Elect for 2014/15 under this heading.)*

**5. PRESENTATION: PRIMARY SCHOOLS INVOLVEMENT IN LOCAL DEMOCRACY WEEK 2013**

Ms Ela Wort, the Head Teacher of St William's Catholic Primary School, Pilling will make a presentation (under Procedure Rule 10) about the involvement of primary school children in Local Democracy Week.

**6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS, STATEMENTS OR PETITIONS**

To receive any questions, statements or petitions from any Member of the public under Council Procedure Rule 9.

Any questions received prior to the specified deadline of noon on Friday, 17 January, 2014 will be published and circulated separately.

**7. QUESTIONS "ON NOTICE" FROM COUNCILLORS**

Any questions from Members of the Council to the Mayor, a Member of the Cabinet or a Chairman of a Committee under Council Procedure Rule 12.1.

Any questions received by the specified deadline of noon on Friday, 17 January, 2014 will be published and circulated separately.

**8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

To receive reports from the Leader and Cabinet Members. (In accordance with Procedure Rule 11.3 Councillors will be able to ask questions or make comments).

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| (a) | Leader of the Council (Councillor Gibson)                     | (pages 12 - 14) |
| (b) | Resources Portfolio Holder<br>(Councillor A. Vincent)         | (pages 15 - 17) |
| (c) | Street Scene Portfolio Holder<br>(Councillor Murphy)          | (pages 18 - 19) |
| (d) | Economy Portfolio Holder<br>(Councillor McCann)               | (pages 20 - 21) |
| (e) | Neighbourhood Services Portfolio Holder<br>(Councillor Berry) | (pages 22 - 25) |
| (f) | Leisure & Culture Portfolio Holder<br>(Councillor Bowen)      | (pages 26 - 29) |

**9. YOUNG PEOPLE: LEAD MEMBER REPORT**

Report of the Lead Member for Young People (Councillor Kay) attached (pages 30 - 32)

**10. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME**

Report of the Leader of the Council (Councillor Gibson) and the Corporate Director of Resources (Philippa Davies) attached (pages 33 - 36)

**11. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2014/15**

Report of the Leader of the Council (Councillor Gibson) and the Corporate Director of Resources (Philippa Davies) attached (pages 37 - 43)

**12. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Two Notices of Motion have been received for this meeting under Procedure Rule 15.

(1) Lancashire County Council Public Transport Subsidy

The following Notice of Motion, submitted by Councillors V. Taylor (proposer), Birch (seconder), McCann, Moon, Bowen, Catterall, Robinson, Lady Atkins, Bridge and Ormrod.

*“Wyre Council recognises the deficit inherited by the Coalition Government and understands the need to make savings by all Councils nationwide.*

*However the proposal by Lancashire County Council to withdraw all evening, Sunday and Bank Holiday subsidised bus journeys to save money from 18th May 2014 will ensure that young people, the elderly and vulnerable and low income families within our communities are disproportionately affected, and therefore virtually marooned without alternative transport services being available. This is evident on rural bus services – 2C, 86, 89, 40 and 80/82.*

*The Council therefore resolves that by its members, officers and partners in whatever capacity to use its best endeavours to bring influence to bear on Lancashire County Council to reconsider its proposals and not terminate its subsidy on Public Transport on routes where no alternative services are available.”*

(2) Police Budget Precept

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted by Councillors Gibson, A Vincent, Berry and Balmain.

*“That this Council views with dismay the fact that again Police Commissioner Grunshaw is considering increasing the Police portion of the Council Tax.*

*The Council notes that at a meeting of the Police and Crime Panel on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2013 it was revealed that for the financial year 2012/13 the Police had an underspend of £5.6 million and also at the end of 2012/13 the Police reserves, both general and earmarked, amounted to £27.5 million.*

*At that meeting the Commissioner confirmed that, throughout Lancashire, there were 74 empty PCSO posts and that he was emphatic that he had no intention of filling these posts. The estimated annual saving from leaving these posts empty is around £2 million.*

*In view of these savings, the underspend last year, the balances at the end of 2012/13 and the hardship it would bring to Wyre residents this Council believes there is no justification for an increase in the Council Tax.*

*Therefore this Council calls on Commissioner Grunshaw not to increase the Police precept for 2014/15 and endorses the decision of Councillor Gibson, the Wyre Representative on the Police and Crime Panel, to vote against any proposed increase.”*

If you have any enquiries on this agenda, please contact Roy Saunders, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager, tel: 01253 887481, email: [roy.saunders@wyre.gov.uk](mailto:roy.saunders@wyre.gov.uk)

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