

To all Members of the

## **COUNCIL**

### **AGENDA**

Notice is given that a Meeting of the Council is to be held  
as follows:

**VENUE:** Council Chamber, Floor 2, Civic Office, Doncaster  
**DATE:** Thursday, 15th January, 2015  
**TIME:** 2.00 p.m.

**Jo Miller**  
**Chief Executive**

#### **ITEMS**

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To consider the extent, if any, to which the public and press are to be excluded from the meeting.
3. Declarations of Interest, if any.
4. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27th November, 2014 (Pages A.1 - A.27).
5. To receive any announcements from the Chair of Council, the Mayor, Members of the Cabinet or the Head of Paid Service.

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Senior Governance Officer  
for this meeting

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**A. Items where the Public and Press may not be excluded. Page**

6. Questions from the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13:-

- (a) Question from Mr D. Wright, 15 Chantry Close, Cantley, Doncaster, DN4 6RX, to the Mayor of Doncaster, Ros Jones:-

“The Residential Homes could now be moving to the private sector. The Labour Party is committed to austerity up to 31/03/16. Closure of Social Education Centres affects everybody from babies to pensioners. To keep them open until 2016 why can't monies be found (for example) from uncommitted reserves, currently around £17m. Will the Doncaster Mayor now reconsider the closure of the three SEC's prior to the Caregate sponsored Judicial Review on 16 January 2015?”

- (b) Question from Mr D. Griffith, on behalf of Council Watch, C/O 35 Jarratt Street, Hyde Park, Doncaster, DN1 2BS, to the Mayor of Doncaster, Ros Jones:-

“Health England warns that hundreds of thousands of elderly people are dying of loneliness in their own homes, the projected cost to the NHS of their progressive debilitation totalling billions of pounds.

A charity helpline has attracted over 300,000 calls in eight months.

Free public transport (which we had until 31 March 2014) is essential for encouraging elderly people to get out.

You are minuted (SYITA) stating you were prepared to axe the free cross border rail travel to West Yorkshire for the elderly and disabled.

Is that a commendable stance for a Mayor - a Labour Mayor - to take?”

**For Decision**

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| 7.  | Freedom of the Borough Application – Bobbie Roberts, MBE, JP.   | 1 – 4   |
| 8.  | Proposals for Localised Council Tax Support for 2015/16 (the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme).   | 5 – 32  |
| 9.  | Overview and Scrutiny Progress Report.  | 33 – 44 |
| 10. | Appointments to Outside Bodies: Doncaster Drainage Commissioners Board, Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board and Black Drain Internal Drainage Board. | 45 – 47 |

11. Questions by Elected Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 15.2 and 15.3:-

(i) Questions on Notice to the Executive:-

None received for this meeting.

(ii) Questions without Notice to the Executive and the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee, Councillor John Mounsey.

**For Information**

12. To receive the Minutes of the following Joint Authorities:-

A. South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel held on 19th November, 2014.

B. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority held on 20th October, 24th November and 15th December, 2014 and Section 41 Briefing Note for December, 2014.

C. Sheffield City Region Combined Authority held on 6th October and 17th November, 2014.

D. South Yorkshire Pensions Authority held on 27th November, 2014.