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, 24th September, 2015

TIME: 6.00 pm

(Please note the commencement time of the meeting)

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 at the meeting.
- 3. Declarations of Interest, if any.
- 4. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 30th July, 2015 (Pages A.1 1 22 A.21).
- 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 David Taylor for this meeting: 01302 736712

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

- 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:-

"Doncaster Council's Constitution allows for 'Question Time' sessions for public questions at Council meetings.

Will the Mayor agree to change the Constitution to also allow 'Motions to Doncaster Council' sessions at Doncaster Council meetings? The procedures could be similar to the 'Question Time' sessions.

This will enable Doncaster residents to bring forward positive suggestions directly to the Mayor in front of Doncaster Councillors and to members of the public both in the Council Chamber and by the new audio visual recordings at home."

For Decision

- Statutory Youth Justice Plan 2015/16.
 Sheffield City Region Devolution Deal Update.
 Appointment of a Member and Vice-Chair to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee.
 Audio Visual Recording of Council Meetings Update Report.
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- 11. To consider the following Motion, written notice of which has been given by Councillor James Hart and Seconded by Councillor Nick Allen, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16.1:-

"The Highways England Pinch Point Programme was first outlined in the 2011 Autumn Statement with a budget of £200 million and expanded by a further £100 million in the 2012 Autumn Statement. This programme addressed 19 pinch points across Yorkshire and the North East which required improvement to keep traffic flowing through the road network. Most of these projects have been completed successfully. However, the A1 (M) in South Yorkshire remains untouched other than minor improvements to Junction 36.

This council calls upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Highways England to include improvements to the A1(M) in South Yorkshire in the 2015 Autumn Statement and this council will give cross-party commitment to lobby for improvements to this vital transport artery at all appropriate opportunities."

12. To consider the following Motion, written notice of which has been given by Councillor Jane Nightingale and Seconded by Councillor Pat Knight, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16:1:-

"In July this year the Chancellor announced a change to the rent formula which will apply to all social housing rents, including affordable and social rents. This follows a 60 per cent cut in the affordable housing grant implemented during the previous coalition government.

The Office for Budget Responsibility has suggested that around 14,000 fewer 'affordable homes' will be built as a result of the change in the rent regime.

At a time when more affordable housing is required in Doncaster, and across the country, this Council believes the Government's action represents a backwards step in achieving the right balance of housing provision needed to support local residents."

- 13. Questions by Elected Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 15.2 and 15.3:-
 - (i) Question 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

- 14. To receive the Minutes of the following Joint Authorities:-
- 115 148
- A. Sheffield City Region Combined Authority held on 22
- B. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority held on for August and September, 2015.