



Doncaster Council

Would you please note that a Group Meeting will be held at 1.00 p.m. in the Civic Office.

Agenda

To all Members of the

COUNCIL

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

Venue: Council Chamber, Floor 2, Civic Office, Waterdale, Doncaster

Date: Thursday, 18th November, 2021

Time: 2.00 pm

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Chief Executive

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Governance Officer for this meeting

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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 23rd September, 2021. 1 - 8
5. To receive any announcements from the Chair of Council, the Mayor, Members of the Cabinet or the Head of Paid Service.
6. Questions from the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13:-
 - (a) Question from Mr Gary Wilson to Councillor Joe Blackham, Cabinet Member for Highways, Infrastructure and Enforcement:-

“Why does Doncaster Council allow the Assets of Community Listing process to be detrimental and biased against community applications?”
 - (b) Question from Mr Christopher Nowak to Councillor Phil Cole, Cabinet Member for Finance and Trading Services:-

“Regarding Wool Market traders, on two separate visits only three non-food traders were open at 2.30 pm. I have since been told by a trader, that the reason for this is that all non-food traders have been given notice to quit after Christmas by Market Asset Management. Was the Council aware of this when they gave MAM nearly £1 million recently and if true, what are MAM going to replace the non-food traders with?”

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

For Decision

7. Proposal to appoint additional Independent (Co-Opted) Member to the Police and Crime Panel. 9 - 18
8. To consider the following Motion, written notice of which has been given by Councillor James Church and Seconded by Councillor Gemma Cobby, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16.1:-

“Doncaster Council notes that:-

 - 1 in 10 workers have experienced 'fire and rehire', told to reapply for their jobs on worse pay, terms or conditions or face the sack, with BME workers facing this at twice the rate of white workers. Since March 2020 (TUC research January 2021), a quarter of all workers have experienced a worsening of their terms and conditions since the pandemic began.

- That whilst the Prime Minister has called the practice ‘unacceptable’ he and his Government have continually refused to take action to outlaw the practice, raising concerns that they will not intervene in this race to the bottom as an escalating number of employers across all sectors abuse our weak employment protections to force their staff to accept worse terms and conditions, leaving many having to work longer hours and for lower pay, with what can be devastating consequences for workers and their families.
- Even before the pandemic, 1 in 9 workers, 3.8 million people, were already insecure, meaning they did not have access to basic rights at work and could be dismissed at will, including those on zero hour contracts and agency workers.

Doncaster Council therefore resolves to:-

- Support local residents, through their Trade Unions, against such unprincipled employers and write to the Prime Minister demanding the Government outlaw fire and rehire and act now to keep his promise to local residents to protect their employment terms and conditions.
- Not use fire and rehire itself as an employer and to prevent its use by Council contractors, by ensuring the Council has a procurement practice that ensures we are working with contractors that have good employment, trade union, equality, environmental records and appropriate policies.
- Promote the increasing number of progressive local employers prioritising their employee’s standard of living and their wellbeing, work with our anchor institutions and key partners to bring forward plans to ensure all have best practice employment and to work with recognised trade unions on this.
- Support the TUC campaign for a New Deal for working people.”

9. 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 Chairs of Committees.

For Information and Not Endorsement

10. To receive the minutes of the following Joint Authorities.

- A. South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Board held on 20th September, 2021.
- B. South Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership Board held on 9th September, 2021.
- C. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority held on 13th September, 2021.
- D. South Yorkshire Pensions Authority held on 9th September, 2021.
- E. South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel held on 20th September, 2021.