

Notice of Meeting and Agenda Council

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 29 September 2022	09:30	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

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Head of Corporate Governance

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Items of business

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Apologies

Apologies from members.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare an interest in any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest.

1 Minutes of Meetings of Council, Boards and Panels (attached separately)

Council, 30 June 2022, pages 137-154

Special Regulatory Functions Board, 4 August 2022, pages 155-158

Communities and Housing Policy Board, 16 August 2022, pages 159-174

Appointments Board, 17 August 2022, pages 175-176

Regulatory Functions Board, 17 August 2022, pages 177-188

Education and Children's Services Policy Board, 18 August 2022, pages 189-194

Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Board, 22 August 2022, pages 195-200

Economy and Regeneration Policy Board, 23 August 2022, pages 201-204

Planning and Climate Change Policy Board, 23 August 2022, pages 205-214

Personnel Appeals and Applied Conditions of Service Appeals Panel, 25 August 2022, pages 215-216

Petitions Board, 29 August 2022, pages 217-220

Infrastructure, Land and Environment Policy Board, 31 August 2022, pages 221-230

Regulatory Functions Board, 1 September 2022, pages 231-244

Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board, 8 September 2022, pages 245-260

Cross Party Sounding Board, 8 September 2022, pages 261-262

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Special Regulatory Functions Board, 15 September 2022, pages 275-282

Special Economy and Regeneration Policy Board, 22 September 2022
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| | "Community Welcome Spaces | |
| | <p>Council notes with grave concern the continuing increase in energy prices, and the significant impact that the cost of living crisis is already having on residents across Renfrewshire.</p> <p>Council notes that the energy price cap is forecast to increase by 81% in January, increasing prices to a completely unsustainable level, causing significant financial strain and harm on the people of Renfrewshire.</p> | |

Pushing those who are already struggling further into poverty.

Council believes the UK government should intervene and cap energy prices, and instructs the Chief Executive write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer to express our concerns for the serious hardship being inflicted on the people of Renfrewshire due to a lack of serious action by the UK Government to protect people.

Council notes the emerging work by councils and their partner culture and leisure trusts across the nation to create Community Warm Banks and Safe Spaces. Council will work with OneRen to create Welcoming Spaces within our civic buildings, leisure facilities and libraries, giving residents the opportunity to be warm throughout winter as well as tackle the impacts of social isolation."

14 Notice of Motion 2 by Councillors MacFarlane and McGurk

"Council welcomes the completion of 131 new homes in Glenburn which consists of 109 for social rent and 22 made available through the New Supply Shared Equity scheme (NSSE). Council further welcomes the funding of over £12 million from the Scottish Government through the Scottish Government's Strategic Housing Investment Programme. (SHIP)

Council notes the intent of this administration to continue to expand social housing and affordable homes at every opportunity throughout Renfrewshire and reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that everyone within our local authority has access to affordable, high quality housing."

15 Notice of Motion 3 by Councillors J Cameron and Adam

"Council notes that the cost-of-living crisis is impacting on all residents of Renfrewshire, but particularly our most vulnerable including older people, children and people with disabilities.

With the announcement that the energy cap will increase by 80% in October, fuel and food prices rising exponentially and with the official inflation rate currently sitting at 10.1% (and predicted to rise), few households will manage to make ends meet.

Council agrees that this situation is unacceptable and declares this a Cost-of-Living Emergency.

Council notes the work of the Fairer Renfrewshire Sub-Committee in providing financial support, assistance and advice via Scottish Government funding and council budget allocations but understands the limitations in the face of such a dire emergency.

Council agrees that the UK government hold the levers of power to address the cost-of-living emergency and calls upon them to:

- Cancel the planned energy cap rise
- Fund a freeze on energy bills

- Reinstatement the £20 Universal Credit uplift
- Reverse the increase in National Insurance contributions
- Reintroduce the triple-lock protection on pensions

Council agrees to write to the Prime Minister calling upon them to introduce the above measures with urgency."

16 Notice of Motion 4 by Councillors Ann-Dowling and McMillan

"Single Sex Toilet Provision in Renfrewshire Council Funded Organisations

Renfrewshire Council recognises that it has an obligation to ensure provision for single-sex toilets for males and females, in the interests of respect for privacy, preserving decency, preventing trauma and/or ensuring health and safety; and to avoid creating what women and girls in particular might perceive and experience as an intimidating, hostile, degrading, humiliating or offensive environment for them. Council agrees that all organisations in receipt of local authority funding, and providing more than one toilet facility for public use in a non-residential building, must ensure single-sex toilet provision is made available."

17 Notice of Motion 5 by Councillors Andy Doig and Hannigan

"Prevention of Prostate Cancer Deaths in Renfrewshire

"Council notes with concern the fact that there are around 12,000 prostate cancer deaths in the UK every year, and that prostate cancer is the 2nd most common cause of cancer deaths in men across the UK.

"Council believes this is an ongoing major health challenge for men in Renfrewshire and urges both the Scottish and UK Governments to take a more pro-active approach to driving down prostate cancer rates, in particular, by devising a reliable prostate cancer screening test kit for men over 45 yrs old which can be distributed by the NHS as part of a national health screening programme".

18 Notice of Motion 6 by Councillors Andy Doig and Hannigan

"Collection of Grass Cutting at War Memorials and Cemeteries

"Council agrees, due to public sensitivity, that council staff will collect grass cuttings in and around war memorials and cemeteries in Renfrewshire whilst undertaking grass maintenance programmes".

19 Notice of Motion 7 by Councillors Andy Doig and Hannigan

"Reconfiguration of the Bowfield Rd/Midton Rd junction, Howwood (B776)

"Council welcomes agreed measures by council officers to improve the safety of the Bowfield Rd/Midton Rd junction, Howwood (B776), including increased signage at the Renfrewshire/East Renfrewshire border concerning HGV traffic, and re-lining of the junction.

"Council however notes continued concern by Bowfield Rd residents, in particular, over safety for pedestrians at this junction, and instructs council officers to examine options for the re-configuration of the Bowfield Rd/Midton Rd junction to maximise safety, including the option of compulsory purchase".

20 Notice of Motion 8 by Councillors N Graham and McGonigle

"Congratulations Motion, England's Woman Football Team.

Council congratulates the England's Woman football team on their recent success in lifting the World Cup at Wembley Stadium.

This Success has seen a surge in Woman and Girls taking up football as a sport. Council agrees to invest where they can in Woman/Girls football to capitalise on this success. Council instructs our officers to make sure that every girl in schools across Renfrewshire have the same opportunity to play football as boys in their PE classes."

21 Notice of Motion 9 by Councillors G Graham and Gilmour

"Child Poverty

It is widely recognised that holiday periods add to the stress of family poverty and results in less access to food and social activity for them than their peers. Foodbanks report increased demand during holiday periods.

18% of our children and young people live in relative low income families, whilst a15% live in absolute low income families. The impact of the cost-of-living crisis is hitting these working families the hardest.

Renfrewshire Council recognises these facts. To assist local families this Council agrees to establish a Holiday Hunger Fund of £1 million pounds to be utilised over the lifetime of this administration. This fund will be used to increase the provision of meals and social activities for school children over school holiday periods throughout Renfrewshire. The Council will commit £200,000 per annum from this fund to enable 3rd sector groups in our communities to apply for money to establish new provision in areas where there is a currently unmet need."

22 Notice of Motion 10 by Councillors McGonigle and J MacLaren

"Closure of Barrochan Road.

Council is concerned about the closure of Barrochan Road, Houston, for up to 12 weeks for emergency replacement of gas pipes.

Council notes with concern the detrimental impacts on local businesses in Houston and the very real possibility of these businesses closing altogether.

Council agrees to work with SGN and local businesses affected to mitigate as much as it can the disruption this will cause."