

Notice of Meeting and Agenda Council

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 30 April 2015	09:30	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

KENNETH GRAHAM
Head of Corporate Governance

Board Membership

Councillor Derek Bibby: Councillor Maria Brown: Councillor Bill Brown: Councillor Lorraine Cameron: Councillor Stuart Clark: Councillor Eddie Devine: Councillor Margaret Devine: Councillor Andy Doig: Councillor Audrey Doig: Councillor Christopher Gilmour: Councillor Roy Glen: Councillor Eddie Grady: Councillor Jim Harte: Councillor Jacqueline Henry: Councillor Michael Holmes: Councillor John Hood: Councillor Terry Kelly: Councillor Brian Lawson: Councillor Paul Mack: Councillor James MacLaren: Councillor Kenny MacLaren: Councillor Mags MacLaren: Councillor Mark Macmillan: Councillor Eileen McCartin: Councillor Cathy McEwan: Councillor Stephen McGee: Councillor Marie McGurk: Councillor Iain McMillan: Councillor James McQuade: Councillor Sam Mullin: Councillor Alexander Murrin: Councillor Will Mylet: Councillor Iain Nicolson: Councillor Allan Noon: Councillor Bill Perrie: Councillor Jim Sharkey: Councillor Maureen Sharkey: Councillor Tommy Williams

Provost Anne Hall (Convener): Councillor John Caldwell (Depute Convener)

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Items of business

Apologies

Apologies received 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 Meeting, 26 February, 2015 (pages 388-396)

Special Council Meeting, 26 February, 2015 (pages 397-398)

Special Council Meeting, 23 March, 2015 (pages 468-478)

Social Work, Health & Well-being, 3 March, 2015 (pages 399-405)

Regulatory Functions, 4 March, 2015 (pages 406-412)

Education, 5 March, 2015 (pages 413-421)

Sport, Leisure & Culture, 5 March, 2015 (pages 422-426)

Housing & Community Safety, 10 March, 2015 (pages 427-433)

Planning & Property, 10 March, 2015 (pages 434-440)

Environment, 11 March, 2015 (pages 441-444)

Finance & Resources, 11 March, 2015 (pages 445-459)

Personnel Appeals & Applied Conditions of Service, 12 March, 2015
(pages 460-461)

Economy & Jobs, 18 March, 2015 (pages 462-467)

Audit, Scrutiny & Petitions, 30 March, 2015 (pages 479-485)

Leadership, 1 April, 2015 (pages 486-488)

Regulatory Functions, 2 April 2015 (pages 489-495)

Regulatory Functions, 23 April, 2015 (pages 496-504)

2 Standards Commission for Scotland - Decision of the Hearing Panel of the Commission **9 - 16**

Report by the Head of Corporate Governance.

3 Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland – Fifth Review of Electoral Arrangements - Consultation on Ward Boundaries **17 - 48**

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8	Notice of Motion (1) by Councillors Lawson and Andy Doig	
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"Renfrewshire Council notes the publication in March 2015 of a joint report by six Churches and religious bodies examining the impact of benefit sanctions on the lives of those sanctioned.

The report found that in the UK approximately 100,000 children were affected by sanctions in a single year, and every day over 100 sanctions are imposed on people who have been medically assessed as unfit to work as a result of mental health problems.

Council records its deep concern that these figures are likely to increase significantly with the extension of Universal Credit and that Renfrewshire has one of the highest level of benefit sanctions across the UK.

Council supports the key recommendations of the report, namely

- an immediate suspension of sanctions where these affect households with children
- an immediate suspension of sanctions against anyone with a mental illness
- the immediate removal of the two week waiting period before "non vulnerable" people can be considered for hardship benefit."

9 Notice of Motion (2) by Councillors Perrie and M MacLaren

"VAT Payments

Council calls on the Westminster Government to exempt Police Scotland and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service from the payment of VAT."

10 Notice of Motion (3) by Councillor K MacLaren and Mylet

"Resignation from Health Board

Renfrewshire Council calls on the council's representative on NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board, Councillor Mark Macmillan, to resign his post immediately.

Councillor Macmillan has recently taken part in publicity stunt alleging an apparent 'RAH A&E Crisis'. As the council's representative on the health board Councillor Macmillan should have addressed any concerns over the RAH A&E department at the health board but failed to do so and has therefore failed in his duty to represent the council effectively on the health board."

11 Notice of Motion (4) by Councillors Andy Doig and Cameron

"This Council believes that the election of another Tory led Westminster Government would be detrimental to the well being of Renfrewshire's children, and looks forward to SNP MP's representing Renfrewshire who will promote positive action to improve the position of Renfrewshire's children by

- Pushing for child tax credits and child benefit to be uprated instead of frozen as the Conservatives plan.
- Promoting action that supports in-work families by calling for an increase in the minimum wage to £8.70 by the end of the next parliament.
- Supporting an increase in the work allowance - helping those in work benefit from their earnings.
- Delivering an end to austerity and oppose the renewal of nuclear weapons to help fund a further expansion of childcare.
- The SNP Government has already extended free childcare provision to 600 hours and has pledged that if re-elected at the next Holyrood election, childcare provision will be extended further still to 1,140 hours per year."

12 Notice of Motion (5) by Councillors M Brown and McEwan

"This Council recognises that the SNP Government has already taken strong action in government to protect the interests of Renfrewshire's pensioners - including investing in free personal care and the concessionary travel scheme, and looks forward to SNP MP's representing Renfrewshire who will campaign for

- The retention of the Triple Lock to ensure that the state pension increases every year either by inflation, in line with wages or by 2.5 per cent - whichever is the higher.
- A Single Tier Pension rate of at least £160 to lift pensioners out of means tested benefits.
- A guarantee that there should be no further increase in the state pension age in Scotland while life expectancy still lags behind the rest of the UK and Europe.
- Opposition to any attempts to end the Winter Fuel Allowance which so many pensioners rely on".

13 Notice of Motion (6) by Councillors K MacLaren and Lawson

"Weapons of Mass Destruction

Renfrewshire Council believes that weapons of mass destruction have no place in a modern civilised society and no place on the shores of the Clyde, less than an hour's drive from this chamber.

Renfrewshire Council calls upon any party in government after the 7th May to immediately cease plans to renew Trident and to decommission the UK's nuclear weapons at the earliest opportunity."

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Council may by resolution exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that if members of the press and public are present, there could be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 12 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1973.

14 Proposed Settlement of Court Action