

## Notice of Meeting and Agenda Council

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 24 September 2015	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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## **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)

## **Items of business**

### **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 Council, Boards and Panels**

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

Council, 25 June 2015, pages 704-721

Appointment Board, 12 June 2015, pages 702-703

Appointment Board, 25 June 2015, pages 1-2

Appointment Board, 26 June 2015, pages 3-4

Regulatory Functions Board, 17 July 2015, pages 5-7

Social Work, Health & Well-being Policy Board, 18 August 2015, pages 8-10

Renfrew & Gallowhill Local Area Committee, 18 August 2015, pages 11-12

Regulatory Functions Board, 19 August 2015, pages 13-21

Education & Children Policy Board, 20 August 2015, pages 22-29

Paisley North Local Area Committee, 20 August 2015, pages 30-34

Housing & Community Safety Policy Board, 25 August 2015, pages 35-41

Local Review Body, 25 August 2015, pages 42-48

Planning & Property Policy Board, 25 August 2015, pages 49-61

Paisley South Local Area Committee, 25 August 2015, pages 62-64

Environment Policy Board, 26 August 2015, pages 65-67

Finance & Resources Policy Board, 26 August 2015, pages 68-90

Johnstone & the Villages Local Area Committee, 27 August 2015, pages 91-95

Economy & Jobs Policy Board, 2 September 2015, pages 96-102

Houston, Crosslee, Riverside, Linwood & Erskine Local Area Committee, 2 September 2015, pages 103-106

Renfrew & Gallowhill Local Area Committee, 3 September 2015, pages 107-111

Leadership Board, 16 September 2015 (to follow)

Regulatory Functions Board, 17 September 2015 (to follow)

Audit, Scrutiny & Petitions Board, 21 September 2015 (to follow)

## **2 Humanitarian Crisis in Syria**

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Report by Director of Children's Services

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## **13 Timetable of Meetings**

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Report by Director of Finance and Resources

## **14 Notice of Motion 1**

Notice of Motion by Councillors Bibby and Henry in the following terms:-

"Council condemns views and attitudes which are homophobic and misogynistic, and will continue to work tirelessly to eradicate these views and attitudes and all forms of discrimination based on gender, sexuality, race, religion or disability.

Council calls on political parties to ensure that where individuals are found to hold such views decisions not to select them as candidates should be consistently applied at Westminster, Scottish Parliament and Local Council elections."

## **15 Notice of Motion 2**

Notice of Motion by Councillors M Macmillan and Holmes in the following terms:-

"Council notes the Conservative Government are proposing a Trade Union Bill that will restrict the ability of this council to engage in good industrial relations practices with our workforce and their representatives. Council believes the collection of union dues through the check-off arrangement, from which the council receives income, is part of our collective and contractual arrangements with the trades unions and one which we will defend and support. Council commits not to use agency staff to break or weaken industrial action and to continue to support arrangements that afford trade union representatives sufficient resources to enable them to carry out their functions to ensure the continuation of good industrial relations. The Leader of the Council commits to writing to the Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills stating council's opposition to this Bill and our resolve not to co-operate with any attacks on facility time or check off and to write to the First Minister calling on the Scottish Government to stand with Renfrewshire and other local authorities in opposing the proposals in this Bill."

## **16 Notice of Motion 3**

Notice of Motion by Councillors K MacLaren and Mylet in the following terms:-

"Renfrewshire Council condemns the decision of NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board to change the name of the new South Glasgow University Hospital to the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital. This decision was taken without any consultation with the public and has attracted significant levels of criticism.

Council believes there is no place in modern Scotland for essential public services funded by the state to be named after hereditary monarchs. Council calls on the Health Board to run a public competition to seek a new name for the hospital."

## **17 Notice of Motion 4**

Notice of Motion by Councillors Lawson and McEwan in the following terms:-

"Council expresses its grave concern at the plight of refugees trying to escape war and persecution and trying to reach the relative safety of Europe. Council believes that we all have a moral duty to do all that we can to help people in these terrible circumstances.

Council therefore instructs officers to investigate urgently:

1. The possibility of making some emergency accommodation available for refugees should it be required.
2. What support the Council could provide by acting as a central point for donations of items such as sleeping bags, nappies and other essentials that could provide practical support to these refugees and how these items could be transported either directly or via third parties.

Council further agrees to write to the Prime Minister expressing its grave concerns and pressing for urgent action from the UK Government to provide a much greater level of support including the acceptance of more refugees in support of a wider European effort."

## **18 Notice of Motion 5**

Notice of Motion by Councillors Lawson and K MacLaren in the following terms:-

"Council agrees to fill the two board places allocated to the SNP Group which are currently vacant as follows:

Environment Policy Board: Cllr Will Mylet

Housing and Community Safety Policy Board: Cllr Mags MacLaren

and to replace Cllr Andy Doig on various Council Boards with the following Elected Members:

Economy and Jobs Policy Board: Cllr Brian Lawson

Environment Policy Board: Cllr Kenny MacLaren

Social Work, Health and Well-being Policy Board: Cllr Mags MacLaren

Leadership Board: Cllr Bill Perrie

Emergencies Board: Cllr Kenny MacLaren

Jobs and Economy Thematic Board: Cllr Brian Lawson"

## **19 Notice of Motion 6**

Notice of Motion by Councillors McCartin and Mack in the following terms:-

"Renfrewshire Council demands that First Minister Nicola Sturgeon immediately withdraws her proposals for re-introducing national testing for primary school children.

Renfrewshire Council acknowledges that there is still a long way to go in trying to bridge the attainment gap in schools, but the failed systems for national testing of young children is a backward step which has a negative, not a positive effect on attainment in schools.

Renfrewshire Council proposes that the Attainment fund which the Scottish Government has distributed to only 7 councils in Scotland should instead be used, as it has been done in England, to support individual children and their schools where they are struggling with their educational attainment. This will give schools, particularly those with higher numbers of pupils struggling with educational attainment, the ability to increase support to those children without redirecting resources from the remaining pupils."

## **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

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- 20 Clyde Valley Residual Waste Project - Approval of Appointment of Preferred Bidder**