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# Notice of Meeting and Agenda Council

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Thursday, 21 December 2017	09:30	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN	

KENNETH GRAHAM Head of Corporate Governance

#### Membership

Councillor Jennifer Marion Adam-McGregor: Councillor Tom Begg: Councillor Derek Bibby: Councillor Bill Binks: Councillor Bill Brown: Councillor Stephen Burns: Councillor Jacqueline Cameron: Councillor Michelle Campbell: Councillor Carolann Davidson: Councillor Eddie Devine: Councillor Andy Doig: Councillor Audrey Doig: Councillor Natalie Don: Councillor Alison Jean Dowling: Councillor Edward Grady: Councillor Neill Graham: Councillor Jim Harte: Councillor John Hood: Councillor Lisa-Marie Hughes: Councillor Karen Kennedy: Councillor Scott Kerr: Councillor Paul Mack: Councillor Alistair Mackay: Councillor James MacLaren: Councillor Kenny MacLaren: Councillor Mags MacLaren: Councillor Eileen McCartin: Councillor Colin McCulloch: Councillor Marie McGurk: Councillor John McIntyre: Councillor John McNaughtan: Councillor Kevin Montgomery: Councillor Will Mylet: Councillor Emma Rodden: Councillor Jim Sharkey: Councillor John Shaw: Councillor James Sheridan: Councillor Andy Steel: Councillor Jane Strang:

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#### 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 attached separately:

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#### <sup>10</sup> Notice of Motion 1 by Councillors Davidson and Dowling

"That Council recognises that the health and mental wellbeing of looked after children in Renfrewshire is extremely important. Council recognises that this group of young people are, on the most, very vulnerable.

That Council will set aside a sum of £75,000 for looked after children to enjoy holidays and other learning and cultural activities.

This funding will allow this group of young people to enjoy the holidays and cultural learning experiences that their peers in the community enjoy. This will be extremely beneficial to their wellbeing, leading to better positive outcomes for the young people.

This sum matches the funding set aside by the previous administration for this purpose."

# <sup>11</sup> Notice of Motion 2 by Councillors Graham and Mackay

"Council is concerned that the decision to impose parking charges in Johnstone and Renfrew was taken without proper consultation with the communities and businesses affected.

Council agrees that it will revisit the decision at the first appropriate opportunity."

# 12 Notice of Motion 3 by Councillors Graham and Mackay

"Council agrees to write to the Scottish Government to request a ban on Electric Shock Collars which has no place in modern dog training."

#### 13 Notice of Motion 4 by Councillors Sheridan and

# McCulloch

"That this council reviews our current planning procedures to ensure local democracy is paramount and that the best interests of our communities and commerce are protected. Reaffirm communication, transparency and accountability will be at the core of the process. Utility companies defined planned timetables to form part of the application with effective penalties in place. Should statutory legislation be necessary to achieve these objectives then political representation should be made."

# 14 Notice of Motion 5 by Councillors Sheridan and

#### McCulloch

"This council explores the positive impact of charging utility companies by the hour for road closures and calls on the Scottish government to follow the UK government plans to allow councils to impose similar charges to help reduce lengthy and repetitive roadworks."

# 15 Notice of Motion 6 by Councillors Mackay and Hood

"The Council calls upon the Government to review the legislation which regulates Public Utilities carrying out works on the roads and pavements. In particular, Public Utilities should be required when carrying out major works, to fit service ducts to minimise the impact of any future works required in the same area."

# 16 Notice of Motion 7 by Councillors McCartin and Andy

# Doig

"The Council agrees to develop the post of Makar for Renfrewshire, to ensure that writing and poetry becomes a focus for people in the area. The role of Makar, and what would be expected of her/him, requires to be discussed with the local poetry and writing community throughout Renfrewshire to ensure the best balance for the council and our community."

# 17 Notice of Motion 8 by Councillors Mackay and Graham

"The Council will no longer provide Elected Members with newspapers and magazines, thus saving an annual cost of nearly £7,000. Elected Members are already provided with IT equipment costing nearly  $\pounds 53,000$ , which is capable of accessing news in real time rather than the outdated news provided by the newspapers."

#### <sup>18</sup> Notice of Motion 9 by Councillors Mackay and Graham

"The Council calls on the Scottish Government to change landlord and tenant legislation to give the Council the power to require all landlords letting properties in its area to (i) have an inspection and report of those properties completed by an independent third party specialist surveyor prior to each letting of a residential property and (ii) exhibit this survey to the Council as the authority responsible for registration of private landlords under the Antisocial Behaviour etc (Scotland) Act 2004. This would provide confidence to both landlord and tenant, that let properties meet with the repairing standard."

#### <sup>19</sup> Notice of Motion 10 by Councillors Begg and Mackay

"World War 1 Commemorations

During 2018 this council will support some students from our high schools to visit one or more of the battlefields of Flanders and Northern France to take part in commemorating this one hundredth year since the end of that war.

In particular at least one group should visit in Flanders, near Ypres, Vancouver Corner where the first WMD was used with mustard gas against Canadian Soldiers killing 2000 of them, Passchendaele and the Tyne Cot Cemetery to take in the immensity of our forefathers' sacrifices, Hill 60 where a large German Command Post was blown to smithereens by Commonwealth troops tunnelling underground from the front lines as well as Essex Farm, a dressing station, where Col. John McCrae wrote the famous lines:-

"In Flanders Field the poppies blow Between the crosses row on row, That mark our place"

At the end of their tour our students, representing this Council, should participate and lay at least one wreath, in the name of this Council, at the evening service of remembrance at the Menin Gate Memorial in Ypres."

#### 20 Notice of Motion 11 by Councillors Paterson and Grady

"Motion from MSYPs

Renfrewshire Council supports the calls made by its MSYPs to encourage schools to actively engage young people in the development and delivery of Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE).

Renfrewshire Council acknowledges the work of the MYSPs, through their engagement with around 3000 young people through an online survey, in identifying PSHE as a priority for development. Council notes that a comprehensive and relevant PSHE programme is essential for helping young people prepare for adulthood. The Council agrees with the MSYPs that a PSHE programme should encourage maturity and be delivered in a manner which demonstrates respect and value for all members of our society.

Council supports the young people's request that they be actively engaged in the development and discussion of the PSHE curriculum so that all young people have equal opportunities in life."

# 21 Notice of Motion 12 by Councillors Andy Doig and Harte

"Trade Justice Renfrewshire Council agrees:

To endorse the Trade Justice Scotland Coalition's principles for just trade, as an alternative to trade deals like TTIP and CETA.

That the Leader of the Council should write to the Secretary of State for Communities, Social Security and Equalities; the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution, and local MPs and MSPs to warn of the impact that a new generation of trade deals might have on Council decision-making after Brexit, and to call for them to endorse the Trade Justice Scotland Coalition's principles for just trade.

That the Leader of the Council will write to COSLA to express concern about the impact that future trade deals, negotiated by the UK government after we leave the EU and modelled on TTIP and CETA, might have on local council decision-making, and ask them to raise these with the UK government and Scottish government on this Council's behalf.

To promote future trade, commerce, and industry, across Renfrewshire with a view to growing the local manufacturing sector and increasing jobs."

#### 22 Notice of Motion 13 by Councillors McCartin and Nicolson

"Council agrees to support the efforts of Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club to bring ice provision back to Paisley.

Paisley Pirates have an ambition and a plan to develop a new ice rink in the Paisley area which would be run by them for both their own needs and open to the wider public."

#### 23 Notice of Motion 14 by Councillors Begg and Strang

"Equal Pay

The Elected Members recognise the excellent work done by previous Councils and their officers in reducing this Council's gender pay gap and clearing any backlog of gender equality claims. At a recent board meeting it was stated that a modest five percent remains. This Council, with four and a half years still to run, commits to taking all reasonable steps to reduce the gender pay gap to zero before the end of that period."

#### 24 Notice of Motion 15 by Councillors Begg and Strang

"Road Laying and Repairs Using Waste Plastic

Over the past few years we have become conscious of the amount of plastics that are going to land fill and being thrown into the sea to the extent that it is a danger to life in our oceans. Claims have been made that waste plastic can be incorporated into asphalt to make and repair our roads reducing the costs and lengthening the life of roads and repairs. It appears to be a win/win situation.

A company started up recently near Lockerbie called MacRebur is promoting and making this product.

It is proposed that a few officers from our council with expertise in this area visit the company to assess the claims and report their findings to councillors before the next full council."

# 25 Notice of Motion 16 by Councillors Montgomery and

#### **Bibby**

"Council has serious concerns over the proposed changes in the Boundary Commission for Scotland's 2018 Review of UK Parliamentary Constituencies. In particular concern is expressed at the impact of communities served by the proposed seats of Paisley and Renfrewshire West. Council calls on the Boundary Commission for Scotland to reconsider these proposals in order to safeguard the identities of local communities."