HALTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes. WA8 7QF

8 October 2013

TO: MEMBERS OF THE HALTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend an Ordinary Meeting of the Halton Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall on Wednesday, 16 October 2013 commencing at 6.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering and passing such resolution(s) as may be deemed necessary or desirable in respect of the matters mentioned in the Agenda.

David WR

Chief Executive

-AGENDA-

Item No.		Page No.
1.	PLEDGE TO CHILDREN IN CARE	
	The Mayor will receive on behalf of the Council, the Pledge to Children in Care Charter, which was considered and endorsed by Executive Board on 3 October 2013.	
2.	COUNCIL MINUTES	SEE MINUTE BOOK
	a) 17 July 2103 b) 19 September 2013	BOOK
3.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
4.	THE MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	
5.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
6.	LEADER'S REPORT	
7.	MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD	SEE MINUTE BOOK
	 a) 15 August 2013 b) 5 September 2013 c) 19 September 2013 d) 3 October 2013 	BOOK
8.	MINUTES OF THE MERSEY GATEWAY EXECUTIVE BOARD	SEE MINUTE BOOK
	a) 19 September 2013	BOOK
9.	MINUTES OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD	SEE MINUTE BOOK
	a) 17 July 2013 b) 18 September 2013	BOOK
10.	QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER STANDING ORDER 8	
11.	MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION OF THE COUNCIL a) Widnes Recreation Site Development (Minute EXB 59 refers)	1 - 26

Executive Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Communities, which provided Members with an update on the re-development of the Widnes Recreation Site, Liverpool Road, Widnes.

RECOMMENDED: That

- the proposals for the redevelopment of the former Widnes Recreation Site, Liverpool Road, Widnes, be approved;
- Council be recommended to approve inclusion of the former Widnes Recreation Site development within the Council's Capital Programme;
- the Strategic Director, Communities, the Operational Director, Legal and Democratic Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Sport, be authorised to implement the project, provided planning permission is obtained and the indicative prices outlined in the report are not exceeded;
- Officers be authorised to begin public consultation with Sport England on the sports facility proposed within the Business Plan, attached at Appendix A; and
- 5) Officers be authorised to proceed with planning applications and place the proposed housing land on the open market and to obtain tendered prices for the build cost.
- b) Lowerhouse Lane Depot Upgrade Works (Minute EXB 61 refers) **27 32**

Executive Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Children and Enterprise, which updated them on the proposed site upgrade works at Lowerhouse Lane Depot.	
RECOMMENDED: That	
 the proposals with regards to the proposed site upgrade works at Lowerhouse Lane Depot be approved; and 	
 Council be recommended to include in the Capital Programme the capital works with a total estimated cost of £735,000 to be funded, as set out in section 5 of the report. 	
 c) 2013/14 Revised Capital Programme (Minute EXB 63 refers) 	33 - 40
Executive Board considered a report of the Operational Director, Finance, which summarised the overall revenue and capital spending position as at 30 th June 2013.	
RECOMMENDED: That the revisions to the Council's 2013/14 capital programme set out in paragraph 3.2 below, be approved.	
d) Standards Committee Annual Report (Minute STC 2 refers)	41 - 44
Standards Committee had considered the Annual Report of the Operational Director/ Monitoring Officer, which summarised the work of the Committee in the last Municipal Year.	
RECOMMENDED: That the report be noted and referred to Council for information.	
e) Temporary Amendment to Standing Order 96 of the Constitution (Minute DEV 8 refers)	

Development Control Committee considered an item which requested a temporary amendment to Standing Order 96 of the Council's Constitution. The amendment was in relation to the scheme of delegation in relation to permitted development orders on householder applications.

RECOMMENDED: That

- Council amend the Constitution by adding the following wording after exception (f): "Provided that exceptions (b), (c) and (d) shall not apply to an application submitted under Class A1 (e) of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended); and that had the above provisions applied that those applications shall be determined in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee; and
- 2. Pending the implementation of the above, exceptions (b), (c) and (d) to delegated power 96 be dis-applied, shall in respect of any application submitted under Class A1 (e) of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended) and that had the above provisions applied that those applications shall be determined in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee.

12. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Council are asked to note the following changes to the membership of the Outside Bodies listed below:

Knights House Charity – Councillor F Fraser has replaced Mr D Reynolds Halton Community Transport – Councillor M Fry has replaced Councillor J Gerrard

13. MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND PERFORMANCE BOARDS AND THE BUSINESS EFFICIENCY BOARD

- a) Children, Young People and Families
- b) Employment, Learning, Skills and Community
- c) Health
- d) Safer
- e) Environment and Urban Renewal

SEE MINUTE BOOK

- f) Corporate Services
- g) Business Efficiency Board

14. COMMITTEE MINUTES

- a) Development Control
 - a) 1 July 2013
 - b) 5 August 2013
 - c) 9 September 2013
- b) Standards
- c) Regulatory

15. NOTICE OF MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER 6

The following motion has been submitted in accordance with Standing Order No.6:

Proposer: Councillor Tom McInerney

Seconder: Councillor Harry Howard

BLACKLISTING

This Council:

'Condemns and opposes the illegal practice of 'Blacklisting' employees or job applicants from either employment or workplace opportunities and pledges that Blacklisting will not form any part of the Council's own workplace activities, nor would we expect any contractor associated with us to participate in Blacklisting when delivering any contracts on behalf of the Council'. SEE MINUTE BOOK