

**HALTON BOROUGH COUNCIL**



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*14<sup>th</sup> October 2008*

**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, 22 October 2008 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.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David W R'.

*Chief Executive*

**-AGENDA-**

- 1. COUNCIL MINUTES**
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 3. THE MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 5. LEADER'S REPORT**
- 6. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**
  - a) 24th July 2008
  - b) 2nd September 2008
  - c) 11th September 2008
  - d) 25th September 2008
- 7. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE**
  - a) 25th July 2008
  - b) 11th September 2008
  - c) 25th September 2008
- 8. MINUTES OF THE MERSEY GATEWAY EXECUTIVE BOARD**
  - a) 25th September 2008
- 9. QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 8**
- 10. MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION OF THE COUNCIL**
  - a) **Amendments to Standing Orders Relating to Duties of Proper Officers and Delegation to Officers - Executive Board Sub-Committee 25th September 2008 (Minute No. ES31 refers)**

The Executive Board Sub-Committee considered the attached report.

RECOMMENDED: That Standing Orders relating to duties of proper officers and delegation to officers be amended as follows:-

- (1) references to 'formal cautions' in paragraphs 152 and 172 of these Standing Orders be replaced with references to 'simple cautions'; and
- (2) the list of Acts included as Appendix B to these Standing Orders be amended by the addition of the Fraud Act 2006, the Licensing Act 2003 and the Protection of Children (Tobacco) Act 1986, and by the deletion of the Mock Auctions Act 1961 and the Trading Representations (Disabled Persons) Act 1958.

**b) Budget - Mersey Gateway 25th September 2008 (Minute No. MGEB8 refers)**

The Mersey Gateway Executive Board considered the attached report.

RECOMMENDED: That the capital programme be amended as outlined within the report.

**c) The Relationship Between Healthy Halton Policy and Performance Board (PPB) and Halton's Local Involvement Network (LINK) - Executive Board 16th October 2008**

The Executive Board will be considering the attached report at its meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> October 2008. The recommendation to the Board is as follows:

RECOMMENDED: That Executive Board recommend to Full Council that a LINK representative (name to be confirmed once LINK formalised) be appointed as a non-voting co-optee on the Healthy Halton Policy and Performance Board for a period of one year, commencing from the date approval is given.

An update will be provided at the Council meeting.

**d) Standards Committee - Parish Council Vacancy**

To consider the attached report.

RECOMMENDED: That Reverend David Felix be appointed as a new Parish Council representative member of the Council's Standards Committee until the end of the 2011/2012 Municipal Year.

**e) Widnes Waterfront Leisure Development, The Hive**

To consider the attached report.

**RECOMMENDED:** That the capital programme be amended by transferring finance currently allocated for the Queens Hall Marmalade Development to the Venture Fields leisure development known as 'The Hive' subject to the confirmation of further funding from the NWDA.

**f) CALL-IN - Widnes Vikings - Executive Board 11th September 2008  
(Minute No. EXB44 refers)**

The Chief Executive has received the following call-in in accordance with Standing Order No. 9:

Proposed by: Councillor Hodgkinson  
Seconded by: Councillor Worrall

"The Council is making a significant financial commitment to an organisation which has recently been in administration with debts to the Council."

(NB Council has a discretion to exclude the press and public but, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, it is **RECOMMENDED** that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, having been satisfied that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.)

**11. ACQUISITION OF BAYER CROPSCIENCE SITE - EXECUTIVE BOARD 25TH SEPTEMBER 2008 (MINUTE NO. EXB55 REFERS)**

To note the action taken by the Strategic Director – Corporate and Policy, in accordance with Standing Orders, to make a bid to acquire the Bayer Cropscience Site. This had required immediate action, which could not await this Council meeting.

**12. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

To note the following appointments to outside bodies made in accordance with delegated powers:

Halton Housing Trust – Councillor Swain replaced Councillor Osborne  
Liverpool City Region Housing and Spatial Planning Board – Councillors Polhill and Wright appointed  
North West Regional Housing Board – Councillor Wright  
Norton Priory Museum Trust – Councillor Nolan replaced Councillor Wright

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

- a) Children and Young People - cream pages
- b) Employment, Learning and Skills - yellow pages
- c) Healthy Halton - blue pages
- d) Safer Halton - pink pages
- e) Urban Renewal - green pages
- f) Corporate Services - salmon pages
- g) Business Efficiency Board - white pages

**14. COMMITTEE MINUTES**

- a) Development Control - pink pages
- b) Standards - white pages
- c) Regulatory - blue pages