Cumbria County Council

SUMMONS AND AGENDA
for the Meeting of the County Council
on Thursday, 16 November 2017

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CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

To: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of Cumbria County Council to be held at the , on Thursday 16 November 2017 at 10.00 am

Yours sincerely

[Signature]
Chief Executive

Cumbria House
Carlisle
CA1 1RD

Wednesday, 8 November 2017

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PART 1: ITEMS LIKELY TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

1 ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To disclose any disclosable pecuniary interests relating to any item on the agenda.

Members are asked to refer to the Monitoring Officer for advice in relation to the declaration of interests at meetings of the full Council. A complete list of declarations notified to the Monitoring Officer by **5.00 pm on Monday 13 November 2017** will be circulated at the meeting. If any member wishes to correct or add to the circulated list, guidance on what constitutes a disclosable pecuniary interest is set out below.

**NB The following is a summary of what constitutes a disclosable pecuniary interest. Please seek advice from Legal and Democratic Services.**

Members are invited to disclose any disclosable pecuniary interest they have in any item on the agenda which comprises

1 Details of any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.

2 Details of any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. (This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

3 Details of any contract which is made between you (or a body in which you have a beneficial interest) and the authority

   (a) Under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and

   (b) Which has not been fully discharged.

4 Details of any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the authority.

5 Details of any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the authority for a month or longer.

6 Details of any tenancy where (to your knowledge)
(a) The landlord is the authority; and

(b) The tenant is a body in which you have a beneficial interest.

7 Details of any beneficial interest in securities of a body where

(a) That body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the authority; and

(b) Either –

   (i) The total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or

   (ii) If that share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

In addition, you must also disclose other non-pecuniary interests set out in the Code of Conduct where these have not already been registered.

Note

A “disclosable pecuniary interest” is an interest of a councillor or their partner (which means spouse or civil partner, a person with whom they are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they are civil partners).

3 MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 6 September 2017 (copy enclosed). (Pages 9 - 20)

4 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider whether there are any items on the agenda for which the press and public should be excluded.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive petitions or questions from the public under the Public Participation Scheme for the Council. This item is time limited to 30 minutes.

At the date of publication of the Agenda no items of public participation had been received.

6 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS
To receive any announcements from the Chair, Leader, Members of the Cabinet or the Chief Executive.

7 MINUTES OF THE CABINET

To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 21 September 2017 and 19 October 2017.

The Chair will ask members if they have any questions on the minutes taking each page in turn. Members should state clearly the minute number of the item concerned. (Pages 21 - 34)

8 TREASURY MANAGEMENT HALF YEAR STRATEGY REVIEW 2017/18

To consider a report from the Deputy Leader of the Council on the Treasury Management Half Year Strategy Review (copy enclosed). (Pages 35 - 54)

9 MEMBERS ALLOWANCES SCHEME

To consider a report from the Leader of the Council on the Members Allowances Scheme 2018/2019 (copy enclosed). (Pages 55 - 90)

10 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

To consider a report from the Monitoring Officer on the appointment of independent members of the Standards Committee (copy enclosed). (Pages 91 - 96)

11 REALLOCATION OF FUNCTIONS

To consider a report from the Leader of the Council on the allocation of functions to officers of the Council (copy enclosed). (Pages 97 - 100)

12 QUESTIONS

To consider questions from Members, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 11.2, to the Leader, a Member of the Executive or the Chair of any Committee.

13 SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

To receive a report from the Chair of the Scrutiny Management Board (copy enclosed). (Pages 101 - 106)

14 MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

a Audit and Assurance Committee

To receive the minutes of a meeting of the Audit and Assurance Committee held on 12 September 2017 and 25 September 2017 (copies enclosed.) (Pages 107 - 148)
b Cumbria Pensions Committee

To receive the minutes of a meeting of the Cumbria Pensions Committee held on 18 September 2017 (copy enclosed). (Pages 149 - 160)

15 URGENCY PROVISIONS

To receive a report from the Leader of the Council on urgent decisions taken since the Council meeting on 6 September 2017 (copy enclosed). (Pages 161 - 166)

16 NOTICES OF MOTION

To consider the motions set out below, which were received by the due date.

Mr M Brereton with move that

“This Council notes the recent announcements by Chris Grayling MP, Secretary of State for Transport in respect of funding to improve local roads and public transport. Whilst we welcome the funds pledged to Whitehaven alongside the previous investments that have come into Cumbria, we are also keen to see that the prevailing need across our County is realised to ensure that our infrastructure is fit for purpose.

This Council calls upon all political groups and stakeholders to agree a concerted plan of action to promote and escalate the case for investing in our County.

This Council acknowledges that progress to date has been slow and that now is the time to put aside party politics and work together in order to evidence the true need which exists across our County.

This Council therefore resolves to;

- Collectively work together to lobby and secure further investment from Central Government, in order to support infrastructure improvements across the County’s key road networks.
- Ensure Members of all groups use their political influence and links, building upon existing relationships with central government to ensure that our case is evidenced and robust.”

Lord RJ Liddle will move that

“This council expresses grave concern at the manner and pace with which the Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust is pressing ahead with plans to close the beds at Wigton Hospital.
In December 2016 Cabinet agreed the County Council’s response to the Success Regime proposals. The response confirmed the Council’s support for the concept of Integrated Care Communities on an area by area basis, with the aim of bringing together the NHS community, Adult Social Care and GP Provision in order to deliver a better service for patients in a more cost effective way.

However, the response also made clear that this Council is opposed to the removal of inpatient community hospital beds at Wigton, Maryport and Alston without costed alternative arrangements being put in place, and considers that any savings realised from changes in provision will need to be reinvested in community services.

If North Cumbria CCG wishes to maintain the confidence of the local community, and the full co-operation of the County Council in making these necessary changes in provision, it must listen to concerns that adequate alternative provision must be fully in place before any existing beds are closed or relocated, particularly whilst bed blocking remains a principal concern impeding high quality service delivery at the Cumberland Infirmary and the West Cumberland Hospital.”

17 SPEECHES

To hear speeches (not exceeding five minutes each) for up to a specified period of 30 minutes, from individual members, of which at least 24 hours’ notice has been given to the Corporate Director – Resources and Transformation.