

Bolton Council

Meeting of the Council 22nd February, 2012 - Order of Business

1. Prayers
2. Mayor's Communications (if any) and fire evacuation procedure
3. Declarations of Interests
4. Petitions – There are no petitions.
5. Proceedings of the Meetings of the Council held on 7th December, 2011.

Motions, amendments and questions of which notice has been given and items upon which comment will be made

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6. BUDGET 2012/2013: COUNCIL TAX 2012/2013: AND OTHER ASSOCIATED FINANCIAL MATTERS					
14 th February, 2012	Council Summons	Motion	Councillor Morris	Budget 2012/2013: Council Tax 2012/2013: And Other Associated Financial Matters	See Council Summons for main motion
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22 nd February, 2012 0.44 a.m.	Council Summons	Amendment 1	Councillor J. Walsh	Budget 2012/2013: Council Tax 2012/2013: And Other Associated Financial Matters	See attachment A
22 nd February, 2012 7.11 a.m.	Council Summons	Amendment 2	Councillor Hayes	Budget 2012/2013: Council Tax 2012/2013: And Other Associated Financial Matters	See attachment B
7. Recommendations to Council					
14 th February, 2012	Council Summons	Motion	Councillor Morris	2012/13 Pay Policy Statement	That the Council's 2012/13 Pay Policy Statement, as circulated, be approved having regard to any guidance once issued.
14 th February, 2012	Council Summons	Motion	Councillor Ibrahim	Joint Waste Development Plan	That Council agrees to the adoption of the Joint Waste Development Plan Document and consequential changes to Bolton's Proposals Map on 1 st April, 2012.
8. Constitution					
14 th February, 2012	Council Summons	Motion	Councillor Morris	2012 – 2015 Community Strategy	That the 2012 – 2015 Community Strategy be approved.
9. Changes In Committee Membership and Appointments To Other Bodies					
Motion to be moved by Councillor A. Connell					
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10. Questions/Comments under Standing Order 9(a)					

22 nd February, 2012 0.44 a.m.	Council Summons	Question to the Leader of the Council (Councillor Morris)	Councillor Mrs. Fairclough	Reduced hours of opening and public access at Oldham's UCAN	The Leader of the Council has repeatedly said that smaller identified areas of deprivation within the Borough which do not receive large scale funding would not be overlooked. Does he agree that the reduced hours of opening and public access at Oldham's UCAN recently implemented by Bolton at Home flies in the face of his previous promises and will he support efforts by ward councilors and residents to get this reduction in service over-turned?
22 nd February, 2012 0.44a.m	Council Summons	Question to the Executive Member Regeneration, Housing and Skills (Councillor Ibrahim)	Councillor J. Walsh	Summit of house- builders, funders and others involved in the housing market	Given the importance of house-building in helping to rebuild the shattered economy inherited by this Government will the Executive Member agree to call as a matter of urgency a summit of house-builders, funders and others involved in the housing market to discuss ways in which the Council can use all its powers, including the new power of general competence established under the Government's Localism Act, to ensure the Council is doing everything it can to help the industry to provide not just more jobs but apprenticeships and training as well as the resultant much needed new homes all of which fall within his portfolio?
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22 nd February, 2012	Council Summons	Question to the Executive Member Regeneration, Housing and Skills	Councillor Irving Page 3	Youth unemployment in Bolton of 8	The significant rise nationally to over 1 million unemployed youth is disastrous news. What is the true figure of youth

8.10 a.m.		(Councillor Ibrahim)			unemployment in Bolton and the wider impact it is having on our communities. Does it not mean we are in danger of having a lost generation?
22 nd February, 2012 8.10 a.m.	Council Summons	Question to the Executive Member Health and Corporate Resources (Councillor Mrs. Thomas)	Councillor McKeon	Health Bill	The Government's Health Bill has led to an outcry from most of the health professionals "to stop the Bill" .Does the Executive Member agree that this is the right course of action?
11. Questions/Comments under Standing Order 9(c)					
None					
12. Committee Proceedings					
Planning Committee Motion to be moved by Councillor A. Connell (See Section D).					
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Licensing And Environmental Regulation Committee Motion to be moved by Councillor Lord (See Section E).					
13. Scrutiny Committees					

Composite Motion to be moved by Councillor Ashcroft					
(A) Corporate and External Issues Scrutiny Committee (See Section F)					
(B) Environmental Services ,Regeneration ,Housing and Skills Scrutiny Committee (See Section G)					
(C) Adult ,Community and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee (See Section H)					
(D) Health and Overview Scrutiny Committee (See Section J)					
14. Area Forums					
Motion to be moved by Councillor Sherrington					
15. Motions Under Standing Order No 4					
(a)	Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations				
	Motion to be moved by The Mayor				
(b)	Northern Rail Hub				
	Motion to be moved by Councillor Chadwick				

Appendix A

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Changes in Committee Membership and Appointments to Other Bodies

Moved by Councillor A. Connell and Seconded by Councillor Mrs. Brierley

That the following appointments and changes in membership be approved:-

- (1) That the Director of Corporate Resources replace the Director of Adult Services on the Octagon Theatre Trust
- (2) That Councillor Peel be reappointed to the Chetham Ashworth Charity
- (3) That Councillors Shaw, Gillies and Mrs H. Hamilton be reappointed to the Clarke Convalescent Fund.
- (4) That Councillor Irving be reappointed to the Rishton and Seddons Charities.
- (5) That Councillor Gillies replace Councillor M. Connell on the Bolton at Home Board and the Customer Committee.
- (6) That Councillor Irving be appointed to the North West of England and Isle of Man Reserve Forces and Cadets Association.

Attachment A

Amendment in the name of Councillor J. Walsh

This Council welcomes the Government's additional funding for Bolton Council for a zero council tax rise in each of the last two years since it was elected. This has resulted in around £8million more being left in the pockets and purses of council tax-payers of Bolton enabling them to decide how to spend the money rather than the Council deciding for them. Accordingly in welcoming this new freedom of choice for tax-payers and the additional spending opportunities given to them in local shops and businesses thus boosting the local economy, the Council now determines to plan for a zero council tax rise in 2013/2014 so that the cumulative benefit continues to grow year on year.

Attachment B

Amendment in the name of Councillor Hayes

“That in setting the Budget for 2012/13 Council

a) Welcomes

(i) the funding provided by Government which will ensure that there will be a zero increase in Council Tax for the second successive year;

(ii) moves by the Government to increase the income tax threshold towards £10,000 a year, which will benefit thousands of Bolton residents and lead to more disposable income being available to boost the local economy;

(iii) the most generous rise in the state pension for a generation, and linking the state pension to the rise in earnings, or the rise in prices, or 2.5%, whichever is the greater;

All of which will lead to more disposable income being available to boost the local economy during this worldwide economic crisis

b) Also welcomes the fact that all the reductions so far have been achieved without the use of compulsory redundancies

c) Determines to lobby the Government, through all relevant channels, in an attempt to ensure that local government in general, and Bolton in particular, does not suffer a disproportionate share of the necessary reductions in public expenditure;

d) Resolves to seriously consider returning to a slimmed down Committee structure which would be more democratically transparent and would be cheaper – the target saving being at least £75,000 a year;

e) Resolves that when the next dividend from Manchester Airport is received, serious consideration is given to allocating some of it to Area Forums for spending at the discretion of Ward Members to help delay further deterioration of the local infrastructure.