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EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday 24 October 2017
5 pm
Council House, Plymouth

Members:

Councillor Mrs Foster, Chair

Councillor Kelly, Vice Chair

Councillors Mrs Aspinall, Ball, Mrs Beer, Bowie, Bowyer, Mrs Bowyer, Mrs Bridgeman, Carson, Churchill, Coker, Cook, Dann, Darcy, Philippa Davey, Sam Davey, Deacon, Downie, Drean, Evans, Fletcher, K Foster, Fry, Hendy, James, Jordan, Martin Leaves, Michael Leaves, Sam Leaves, Loveridge, Lowry, Dr Mahony, Mavin, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Nicholson, Parker-Delaz-Ajete, Penberthy, Mrs Pengelly, Rennie, Ricketts, Riley, Singh, Smith, Sparling, Stevens, Storer, Jon Taylor, Kate Taylor, Tuffin, Tuohy, Vincent, Wheeler, Wigen and Winter.

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business overleaf.

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Tracey Lee

Chief Executive

City Council

Agenda

1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence submitted by councillors.

2. Declarations of Interest

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3. Motions on notice

To consider motions from councillors in accordance with Part B, paragraph 14 of the Constitution.

3a. Defence cuts to Devonport

(Pages 3 - 4)

DECLARING INTERESTS – QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF

What matters are being discussed?



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Does the business relate to or is it likely to affect a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI)? This will include the interests of a spouse or civil partner (and co-habitees):

- any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation that they carry on for profit or gain
- any sponsorship that they receive including contributions to their expenses as a councillor or the councillor’s election expenses from a Trade Union
- any land licence or tenancy they have in Plymouth
- any current contracts leases or tenancies between the Council and them
- any current contracts leases or tenancies between the Council and any organisation with land in Plymouth in they are a partner, a paid Director, or have a relevant interest in its shares and securities
- any organisation which has land or a place of business in Plymouth and in which they have a relevant interest in its shares or its securities

No

Yes



Declare interest and leave (or obtain a dispensation)





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Does the business affect the well-being or financial position of (or relate to the approval, consent, licence or permission) for:



- a member of your family or
- any person with whom you have a close association; or
- any organisation of which you are a member or are involved in its management (whether or not appointed to that body by the council). This would include membership of a secret society and other similar organisations.

Yes No  You can speak and vote




Will it confer an advantage or disadvantage on your family, close associate or an organisation where you have a private interest more than it affects other people living or working in the ward?

Yes No

Declare the interest and speak and vote



Speak to Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting to avoid risk of allegations of corruption or bias

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Cabinet members must declare and give brief details about any conflict of interest* relating to the matter to be decided and leave the room when the matter is being considered. Cabinet members may apply to the Monitoring Officer for a dispensation in respect of any conflict of interest.

*A conflict of interest is a situation in which a councillor’s responsibility to act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit without bias may conflict with his/her personal interest in the situation or where s/he may profit personally from the decisions that s/he is about to take.

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MOTION ON NOTICE

24 October 2017

**Defence cuts to Devonport**

Recent speculation about the future of HMS Albion and HMS Bulwark, along with the relocation out of Plymouth of one thousand Royal Marines, has once again led to uncertainty about this vital part of our local economy, not to mention the defence of our country.

This Council believes that we should unite across all parties to fight for a better future for the defence industry in Plymouth and therefore agrees -

1. To urgently campaign for the retention of HMS Albion, HMS Bulwark and if it is not too late, HMS Ocean.
2. To reconvene as a matter of urgency the Devonport Taskforce, which had been set down a year ago as the future of the yard had seemed to be settled.
 - a. The Taskforce should prepare a compelling case for the base porting of the current and future frigate fleet at Devonport, representing the most cost effective and strategic location for those ships.
 - b. The Taskforce should prepare a compelling case for the retention of the Royal Marines in the City.
3. To urge all Plymouth MPs to join with us cross-party in this endeavour, and seek a meeting for a city delegation with the Secretary of State for Defence.
4. The Leader and the Leader of the opposition write jointly to all MPs in Devon and Cornwall raising our concerns about this proposal, the impact such a decision would have on the regional economy and seeking their support for this campaign.

Proposed by Councillor Tudor Evans

Seconded by Councillor Ian Bowyer

Dated 12 October 2017

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