

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

27 March 2023



Please will councillors and members of the public note the below information, including the fire and emergency procedures -

## **FIRE, EMERGENCY AND OTHER PROCEDURES**

Would you please note that –

- Plymouth City Council believes in openness and transparency. Anyone who wishes to report on our public meeting is welcome and the meeting may be filmed, recorded or photographed, provided that doing so does not disturb the good order or conduct of the meeting.
- The meeting is being webcast, and your image may be captured by the cameras and broadcast. A recording will be available on-line immediately following the meeting. If you do not wish to be filmed please inform a council officer before the start of the meeting.
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- During the meeting, please ensure any mobile phones are switched to silent mode or turned off.

## **Extraordinary General Meeting – Freedom of the City**

### **1. Apologies**

### **2. Declarations of Interest**

### **3. FREEDOM OF THE CITY**

To consider and if thought fit pass the following resolution –

#### **1. CONFERMENT OF THE FREEDOM OF THE CITY**

Resolved, in pursuance of its powers under Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, that, in appreciation of: **Lewis Pugh OIG**, and **Heather Knight OBE**.

And as an expression of the admiration of the Citizens of Plymouth for their great and glorious achievements in the Service of this Country and of their long association with the City, the Council DO CONFER upon them the HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH.

(Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that the foregoing honour may be conferred by resolution of the Council passed by not less than two thirds of the members voting thereon at the meeting specially convened for the purpose)



## **Ordinary Meeting**

### **1. Apologies**

The Lord Mayor's Advisor will report apologies received for the meeting.

### **2. Minutes**

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2023 as a correct record.

### **3. Declarations of Interest**

The Lord Mayor's Advisor will invite Members to declare any interests they may have in relation to items on the agenda.

### **4. Appointments to Committees, Outside Bodies etc**

The Assistant Chief Executive will submit a schedule of vacancies on committees, outside bodies etc and of changes notified to us.

### **5. Questions by the Public**

To receive questions from and provide answers to the public in relation to matters which are about something the council is responsible for or something that directly affects people in the city, in accordance with Part B, paragraph 11 of the Constitution.

(Questions and answer will be circulated following the meeting).

### **6. Announcements**

- To receive announcements from the Lord Mayor, Chief Executive, Service Director for Finance or Head of Legal Services;
- To receive announcements from the Leader, Cabinet Members or Committee Chairs.

### **7. Plymouth City Council Net Zero Action Plan 2023 - 2026**

It is recommended that City Council support and endorse the Plymouth City Council Net Zero Action Plan 2023-2026.

### **8. Council Tax Discounts and Premiums**

It is recommended that City Council approve:

1. Subject to the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill receiving Royal Assent, from 1 April 2024 the current 100% premium for dwellings which are unoccupied and substantially unfurnished will be levied after a period of one year.

2. Subject to the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill receiving Royal Assent from 1 April 2024 a premium of 100% will be levied on all dwellings which are unoccupied and substantially furnished (second homes).

## **9. Scrutiny Annual Report**

It is recommended that City Council notes the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/2023

## **10. Lord Mayoralty 2023/24**

It is recommended that City Council approves the recommendation from the Lord Mayor Selection Committee to appoint Councillor Jonathan Drean as Lord Mayor for 2023/24.

## **11. Audit and Governance Chair Annual Report**

It is recommended that City Council note the report.

## **12. Senior Management Structure and Organisational Design**

It is recommended that City Council:

1. Approves the changes to the Chief Officer structure as set out at section 3 of the report;
2. Approves the approach to Deputy Chief Officer designations as set out at section 7 of the report;
3. Approves the extension of the appointment of David Northey as the Interim Service Director for Finance (s151 Officer) from 1 April 2023 for a further 6 months;
4. Notes the changes to service functions and responsibilities as set out at appendix 3 of the report;
5. Notes that amendments will be made to Proper Officer delegations within the Council's Constitution as a result of the changes, set out in section 9 of the report.

## **13. Motions on Notice**

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

I3a Plymouth City Council To Treat Care Experience as if it were a Protected Characteristic

I3b Motion of No confidence in Leader and Cabinet

I3c Preservation of Local Democracy and Maintaining the impartiality of the Lord Mayor

I3d Motion of no confidence in the Leader and Election of New Leader

I3e Full Independent Review of the Armada Way Project and Establishment of a Tree Panel

I3f An assessment of the impact of the UK Government's Election Act 2022 on voting rights and voter suppression in Plymouth

I3g Urging the UK Government to Provide Additional Funds and Support to Help Plymouth Achieve Its Net Zero 2030 Target

I3h Reconsideration of proposed Car Parking Charges

I3i Addressing impacts of rising Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) numbers in Plymouth

#### **I4. Urgent Decisions to be reported**

Council is requested to note the following decisions taken in line with due process:

1. L22 22/23 – Home Upgrade Grant 2;
2. L34 22/23 - Better Places Programme: Armada Way Scheme;
3. L35 22/23 – Local Authority Housing Fund (LAHF) grant and Memorandum of Understanding.

#### **I5. Questions by Councillors**

Questions to the Leader, Cabinet Members and Committee Chairs covering aspects for their areas of responsibility or concern by councillors in accordance with Part B, paragraph 12 of the constitution.

