

Kirklees Council



Main Hall - Town Hall, Huddersfield

Tuesday 30 November 2021

Dear Member

The Council will meet on Wednesday 8 December 2021 at 5.30 pm in the Main Hall - Town Hall, Huddersfield.

This meeting will be webcast live and will be available to view via the Council's website.

The following matters will be debated:

Pages

1: Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive

To receive any announcements from the Mayor and Chief Executive.

2: Apologies for absence

Group Business Managers to submit any apologies for absence.

3: Minutes of Previous Meeting

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To agree and authorise the Mayor to sign the Minutes of Council held on 17 November 2021.

4: Declaration of Interests

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The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items of the Agenda in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of them items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

5: Petitions (From Members of the Council)

To receive any Petitions from Members of the Council in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.

6: Deputations & Petitions (From Members of the Public)

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (2), Members of the Public should provide at least 24 hours' notice of presenting a deputation.

7: Public Question Time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

8: 'Making' (bringing into force) the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan and Consequential Updates to the Kirklees Development Plan Policies Map

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To consider the report.

Contact: Jo Scrutton, Planning Policy

9: Code of Conduct Model (Reference from Corporate Governance and Audit Committee) 265 - 316

To consider the report.

Contact: David Stickley, Legal Services

10: Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2020/2021 317 - 358

To receive the report.

Contact: Leigh Webb, Governance Manager

11: Written Questions to the Leader, Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees and Nominated Spokespersons

To receive written questions to the Leader, Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees and Nominated Spokespersons in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.

The schedule of written questions will be tabled at the meeting.

12: Key Discussion - Elected Mayor (West Yorkshire Combined Authority)

The Elected Mayor (West Yorkshire Combined Authority) will be present for the Council's Key Discussion debate, which will include an update on the Mayor's current priorities.

13: Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to the Principal Area Boundary Review

To consider the following Motion in the names of Councillors Greaves, Lyons, White, Allison, Cooper and Lee-Richards;

"The Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) undertakes periodic electoral governance reviews of Kirklees Council which consider how many wards are required and what their boundaries should be, how many councillors are needed to support the arrangements and how frequently elections should be

held. It is noted that discussions are currently being undertaken to set a commencement date for this electoral review.

The recommendations of the Kirklees Democracy Commission, the changes to UK politics, the move towards community and place-based working and the desire for Neighbourhood plans all point to a desire for greater involvement and influence in local decision-making.

In addition to an electoral review, this Council wants to undertake a Principal Area Boundary Review (PABR) to specifically consider splitting Kirklees Council. A PABR can help to establish residents' views on how they want to be represented and would commence the statutory process for making these changes.

This Council directs the Chief Executive and the Leader and Cabinet to make this intention clear in discussions with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, to request a PABR to be undertaken alongside or in advance of the Electoral review, to refer this matter to the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee, and to update Council on progress on 16 March 2022.”

14: Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Community Governance Review of Town, Parish and Community Councils within the Borough of Kirklees

To consider the following Motion in the names of Councillors Greaves, Lyons, White, Allison, Cooper and Lee-Richards;

“The last full review of the governance arrangements for Town, Parish and Community councils within the borough of Kirklees was undertaken in 2009, with a commitment for an updated review to be undertaken by 2019.

The recommendations of the Kirklees Democracy Commission, the changes to UK politics, the move towards community and place-based working and the desire for Neighbourhood plans all point to a desire for greater involvement in local decision-making.

A Kirklees-wide CGR can help to establish residents' views on how they want to be represented, whether they wish to create new local councils or to alter the existing ones, as well as to commence the statutory process for making these changes.

This Council directs the Chief Executive and the Leader and Cabinet to undertake a Community Governance Review at its earliest opportunity, to make this intention clear in discussions with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, to refer this matter to the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee, and to update

15: Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Support for Smokefree Fund

To consider the following Motion in the names of Councillors Khan, Pandor, Scott, Greaves, White and Lyons;

“This Council notes that:

- On 9th June 2021, All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Smoking and Health launched its report and recommendations for the forthcoming Tobacco Control Plan to secure the Government’s ambition of a Smokefree country by 2030. On 10th June there was a Westminster Hall debate on APPG recommendations. The recommendations included a “Smokefree Fund” secured through a polluter pays amendment to the Health and Social Care Bill.
- The next Tobacco Control Plan for England is expected before the end of 2021
- The Government’s ambition is that by 2030 less than 1 in 20 people in England will smoke
- It is recognised that achieving a smokefree 2030 will be ‘extremely challenging’, particularly in areas of deprivation and among people living with mental health conditions and will require ‘bold action to both discourage young people from starting in the first place, and to support smokers to quit’. In the two years since the ambition was stated, an estimated 200,000 children under the age of 16 have started smoking, two thirds of who will without action, become regular smokers.
- Fluctuations in desire to quit and success at quitting, have taught us that sustained declines in smoking prevalence are only achieved when action is systematic, co-ordinated and properly resourced.
- The Chief Medical Officer, Professor Chris Whitty, pointed out recently, this is an industry that kills people for profit, and more people are likely to have died last year and this year from smoking than COVID-19.
- Smoking not only kills people prematurely, but it also drives them into poverty and reduces healthy life expectancy, with smokers needing help with everyday tasks 7 years earlier than those who’ve never smoked. But this burden is not equal. Smoking is concentrated among disadvantaged groups locking in poverty and poor health across the generations.

- In 2019 the smoking rate in Kirklees is 14.3%, which is above the national average of 13.9%. The highest rates of smoking in Kirklees are in the wards with the highest levels of deprivation; Dewsbury West, (17.1%) Dewsbury East (15.8%) and Batley West (15.8%) and Batley East (15.9%).
- The total additional spending on social care in Kirklees as a result of smoking for adults aged 50 and over in 2021 was approximately: £9,162,617. Please see the Action on Smoking (ASH) Social Care cost calculator available at <https://ash.org.uk/information-and-resources/reports-submissions/reports/costtosocialcare/>
- Kirklees Council Public Health supports the work of Breathe2025, Yorkshire and Humber's tobacco control collaboration through the tobacco community of improvement in partnership with PHE and other LA's. Through working together, we are better at achieving our aims of a smokefree generation.

This Council Resolves:

- To commit to registering support as a council to the ASH Smokefree Roadmap to achieving a smokefree society by 2030, already supported by over 74 organisations, including; Sheffield City Council, Gateshead Council, Newcastle City Council, North Tyneside Council, South Tyneside Council, West Yorkshire and Harrogate ICS, Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Cancer Research UK, Royal College of General Practitioners, Faculty of Public Health, Association of Directors of Public Health, Royal College of Physicians, The Health Foundation, Royal Society for Public Health, NCSCCT (National Centre for Smoking Cessation and Training) Full List and pledge at <https://smokefreeaction.org.uk/smokefree2030/>
- To write to all local MPs to ask them to sign up to the pledge publicly and work with the council on achieving its aims
- To ask the Cabinet to review the Tobacco Control Plan for England (which is yet to be released) and agree a position on behalf of the Council"

By Order of the Council



Chief Executive

