

Nottinghamshire County Council

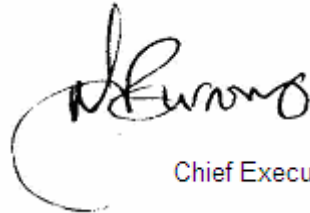
County Hall West Bridgford Nottingham NG2 7QP

SUMMONS TO COUNCIL

date Thursday, 22 July 2010
commencing at 10.30 am

venue County Hall, West Bridgford,
Nottingham

You are hereby requested to attend the above Meeting to be held at the time/place and on the date mentioned above for the purpose of transacting the business on the Agenda as under.



Chief Executive

1. Minutes of the last meeting held on 24 June 2010.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Declarations of Interest by Members and Officers (see note 3 below):-
 - (a) Personal
 - (b) Prejudicial
4. Chairman's Business
 - (a) Presentation of Awards/Certificates (if any)
 - (b) Constituency Issues (see note 5 below)
5.
 - (a) Presentation of Petitions (if any) (see note 6 below)
 - (b) Report back on Petitions
6. **Questions**
 - (a) under Standing Order 7.1 (Cabinet Members)
 - (b) under Standing Order 7.2 (Police and Fire Authorities)

7. Reports from Members

- (a) Reports from Cabinet Members
 - i. Leader
 - ii. Deputy Leader
 - iii. Adult Social Care and Health
 - iv. Children and Young People's Services
 - v. Community Safety
 - vi. Culture and Community
 - vii. Environment and Sustainability
 - viii. Finance and Property
 - ix. Personnel and Performance
 - x. Transport and Highways

(b) Report from Chair of Overview Committee

8. Petitions Scheme

9. Draft Structural Reform Plan

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

MOTION ONE

"That this County Council notes:

That the increase in VAT from 17.5% to 20% announced in the Government's June Budget will fall hardest on those least able to afford it.

That the increase in VAT will lead to higher prices for goods and services; will have a disproportionate impact on pensioners and other low income groups; and will have a severe impact on businesses, charities and community groups in Nottinghamshire.

That the effect of the increase in VAT, when taken with other measures in the Budget, will be unfair to pensioners, who have not had a compensatory increase in other benefits and allowances.

That the way the VAT increase will affect pensioners and other low income groups runs counter to the Government's Coalition Agreement statement on 20 May 2010 that it would "ensure that fairness is at the heart of those decisions so that all those most in need are protected."

That the Institute of Fiscal Studies has stated the VAT increase was not "unavoidable," as the Chancellor of the Exchequer said in his Budget speech.

That this Council resolves:

To write directly to the Chancellor of the Exchequer raising concerns about the impact of the proposed VAT increase on pensioners, other vulnerable groups and businesses in Nottinghamshire.

To call on the Members of Parliament representing Nottinghamshire constituencies to stand up for Nottinghamshire's pensioners, businesses and wider community, to voice their opposition to this unfair increase in VAT."

Councillor Alan Rhodes

Councillor Joyce Bosnjak

MOTION TWO

"That this County Council calls on the Government to investigate funding for a bus service which will provide free transport to Kings Mill Hospital from nearby areas including, but not limited to, Ashfield, Mansfield and Bassetlaw."

Councillor Chris Winterton

Councillor Steve Carroll

11. Adjournment Debate (if any).

NOTES:-

(A) For Councillors

(1) Group meetings of Members will be held as follows:-

Monday 19 July 2010

Independent Group - 10.30 am

Wednesday 21 July 2010

Conservative Group - 10.30 am

Labour Group - 1.30 pm

Thursday 22 July 2010

Liberal Democrats Group - 9.00 am

(2) The Chairman has agreed that the Council will adjourn for lunch at their discretion and for tea (if required) at 4.30pm.

(3) (a) Persons making a declaration of interest should have regard to the Code of Conduct and the Council's Standing Orders. Those declaring must indicate whether their interest is personal or prejudicial and the reasons for the declaration.

(b) Any member or officer who declares a prejudicial interest in an item must withdraw from the meeting during discussion and voting upon it, unless a dispensation has been granted. Members or officers requiring clarification on whether to make a declaration of interest are invited to contact the Monitoring Officer or Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

- (c) Declarations of interest will be recorded and included in the minutes of this meeting and it is therefore important that clear details are given by members and others in turn, to enable the Service Manager Governance and Scrutiny to record accurate information.
- (4) Members are reminded that these papers may be recycled. Appropriate containers are located in the respective secretariats.
- (5) Members are given an opportunity to speak for three minutes on any particular issue which relates to matters relevant to their constituencies or any particular issues arising in their electoral division. This would be an opportunity simply to air these issues in Council meeting. It would not give rise to a debate on the issues or a question or answer session
- (6) Members are reminded that petitions can be presented from their seat with a 1 minute time limit set on introducing the petition.

(B) For Members of the Public

- (1). Members of the public wishing to inspect "Background Papers" referred to in the reports on the agenda or Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act should contact:

Customer Services Centre 08449 80 80 80.
- (2). The papers enclosed with this agenda are available in large print if required. Copies can be requested by contacting the Customer Services Centre on 08449 80 80 80. Certain documents (for example appendices and plans to reports) may not be available electronically. Hard copies can be requested from the above contact.
- (3). Information in respect of this meeting is available in a wide range of languages which can be provided in large print, Braille and audio. Please contact the number referred to above.