



METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF SEFTON

COUNCIL SUMMONS

To Members of the Metropolitan Borough Council

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council to be held on **Thursday 16th February, 2012 at 6.30 pm at the Town Hall, Southport** to transact the business set out on the agenda overleaf.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. C. Carey'.

Chief Executive

Town Hall,
Southport

8 February 2012

Please contact Steve Pearce, Head of Committee and Member Services
on 0151 934 2046 or e-mail steve.pearce@sefton.gov.uk

This page is intentionally left blank.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Members and Officers are requested to give notice of any personal or prejudicial interest and the nature of that interest, relating to any item on the agenda in accordance with the relevant Code of Conduct.

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

(Pages 7 - 14)

Minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2011

4. Mayor's Communications

Public Session

5. Matters Raised by the Public

To deal with matters raised by members of the public within the Borough, in accordance with the procedures relating to Petitions, Public Questions and Motions set out in Rule 11 of the Council and Committee Procedure Rules.

(Details of any further Petitions notified or Questions submitted to the Legal Director by members of the public in accordance with Rule 11 will be circulated at the meeting).

Council Business Session

6. Questions Raised by Members of the Council

To receive and consider questions to Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees or Spokespersons for any of the Joint Authorities upon any matter within their portfolio/area of responsibility, of which notice has been given in accordance with Rule 12 of the Council and Committee Procedure Rules.

7. Transformation Programme 2011 - 2014

(Pages 15 -
224)

Report of the Chief Executive

8. Declaration of Air Quality Management Areas

(Pages 225 -
234)

Report of the Director of Built Environment

9. Revision of Employee Code of Conduct

(Pages 235 -
238)

Report of the Director of Corporate Support Services

- 10. Programme of Meetings - 2012/13 Municipal Year** (Pages 239 - 250)
Report of the Director of Corporate Commissioning
- 11. Proper Officer Functions** (Pages 251 - 254)
Report of the Chief Executive
- 12. Membership of Committees 2011/12**
To consider any changes to the Membership of any committees etc.
- 13. Matters dealt with in accordance with Rule 17 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules (Call-In and Urgency) of the Constitution** (Pages 255 - 256)
Report of the Leader of the Council
- 14. Notice of Motion Submitted by Councillor Byrom**
To consider the following Motion submitted by Councillor Byrom:
- “This authority supports the Metropolitan Fire Authorities Joint response to the Governments Resource Review.
- It notes that 62% of cuts in the English Fire Service, outside London, have fallen on the six Metropolitan brigades alone.
- The number of frontline staff has been reduced by 458, nearly 6% of the establishment.
- The six Chief Fire Officers have given a professional opinion that the scale of cuts now planned will severely affect frontline services and may result in the number of fire-fighters being “massively reduced, some by compulsory redundancy” Fire appliance numbers will be cut and fire stations closed.
- It is their professional view that the scale of cuts envisaged would “leave the main regional cities of this country with radically low levels of fire and rescue cover and significantly less ability to manage or assist at a major incident involving terrorism or flooding”
- The Metropolitan Brigades, including Merseyside, have had the biggest revenue support grant cut. Of the total RSG reductions planned between 2005/06 and 2012/13 of £75.9m - £62m has been in the Mets - 82% of all cuts.
- In order to protect the life and property of the community of Sefton, the scale of these damaging cuts must be reversed and the strong message from the six Metropolitan Fire Chiefs given credence.

This authority resolves to write to the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Fire and Rescue Service, all of Sefton's MP's and the Prime Minister voicing our strong support for the joint Metropolitan Fire Services campaign."

15. Notice of Motion Submitted by Councillor Parry

To consider the following Motion submitted by Councillor Parry:

"The Council warmly welcomes the news that the Port of Liverpool is likely to be expanded, bringing thousands of jobs to Merseyside in general and Sefton in particular, and resolves to work constructively with Peel Holdings plc and other relevant parties to resolve the relevant concerns regarding the environment."