NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



COUNCIL

Friday, 8 October 2004

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON FRIDAY THE EIGHTH OCTOBER, 2004 AT SIX THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED:-

1. MINUTES.

To approve the minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Council held on 9th and 29th July 2004.

- 2. APOLOGIES.
- 3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.
- 4. DEPUTATIONS/PUBLIC ADDRESSES/QUESTIONS.
- 5. COMMITTEE MINUTES.

To receive the Minutes of the Executive and Committees contained in the booklet herewith.

6. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURAL RULE 5.2.

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

(A) The following motion to be moved by Councillor Patterson and duly seconded:
"When staff assess the need and priority for tree work an additional and important consideration should be the light levels in neighbouring properties and the

disabilities the occupants of those properties have."

(B) The following motion to be moved by Councillor Wire and duly seconded:
"This Council condemn the amount of illegal Traveller encampments, which have increased over the last twelve months. The comments of the Leader of the Council who heaps the blame on the County Traveller Unit are unproductive, when many of his Conservative colleagues in other District Authorities have signed up to the Unit and are working effectively. His Party's claim to a zero tolerance policy is now in tatters.

We call upon the Executive of this Council to develop a policy, which is achievable. This policy should clearly show approaches in the long, medium and short term and be presented at the first Full Council of 2005".

© Councillor Concannon to move and Councillor Barron to second: "This Council welcomes the "Making your Mark" focus of Local Democracy week (18th – 24th) October this year in a background of reducing percentages of young people voting.

This Council believes that the young people of this town are one of the most valuable resources in the community.

This Council believes it essential to engage young people to be a recovering and effective authority.

This Council believe that to do this we need to:-

- Ensure that work with Youth Forum is developed
- Encourage the Local Strategic Partnership to enable young people to play an active part in their forthcoming Conference given the focus on Northampton's focus
- We consult with young people to seek the views of young people on lowering the voting age to 16."
- (C) The following motion to be moved by Councillor Larratt and duly seconded:
 "That Procedural Rule 3.4 be suspended to enable the motion to be discussed and
 a vote to be taken on the following motion:

That this Council endorses the Acting Chief Executive's participation in the forthcoming Parliamentary Select Committee in support of the ODPM policy to establish an Urban Development Corporation for West Northamptonshire to deliver the Government's Sustainable Community Plan."

8. RECENT NOTICES OF MOTION

To receive the attached report from the Acting Chief Executive on action taken following notices of motion (appendix to follow).

9. RECOVERY PLAN

10. MATTERS OF URGENCY WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE MAYOR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.

The Guildhall Northampton 30^{th} September 2004

Acting Chief Executive