NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



# COUNCIL

Monday, 12 May 2008

# YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON MONDAY,THE TWELFTH DAY OF MAY 2008 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  $17^{\rm th}$  March 2008

# 2. APOLOGIES.

# 3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

4. QUESTION TIME

# 5. CABINET MEMBER PRESENTATIONS

(copies herewith)

# 6. NORTHAMPTON ECONOMIC REGENERATION STRATEGY

(copy herewith)

# 7. REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW WORKING PARTY

(A) The Mayor to invite Suspension of Council Procedural Rules to allow Public Addresses on the Report of the Constitutional Review Working Party.

"That in accordance with Council Procedural Rule 22, Procedural Rules be suspended to allow public addresses on the report of the Constitutional Review Working Party." (B) Report of the Constitutional Review Working Party (copy herewith)

#### 8. MEETINGS CYCLE 2008/09

(copy to follow)

#### 9. STAFF RESTRUCTURE - DELEGATIONS

Report of Chief Executive (copy to follow)

#### **10. NOTICE OF MOTION**

The following Motion to be moved by Councillor Flavell and seconded by Councillor Lane:

"This Council notes that concessionary bus passes are now currently only valid in the Borough between the hours of 9.30am and 11pm which is the national statutory minimum. While the 9.30am start time has already been established due to heavy bus use in the morning peak, the 11pm finish time appears to have been imposed from1st April 2008 with the implementation of the new National Concessionary Scheme. This cut off time cannot be justified on grounds of capacity and constitutes a reduction in service provision.

This council also notes that some bus pass holders have been in contact with councillors and local MPs to complain that the evening cut off time is too early and to request that it be extended.

In light of public demand, Council requests Cabinet to consider extending the period of free travel beyond the statutory minimum to allow pass holders to travel after 11pm, until a time relevant to the termination of the last evening services. Council further requests that Cabinet consider that this be paid for in the current financial year with LABGI money and added to the Council's core budget for future years."

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

The Guildhall Northampton 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2008

D. Kennedy Chief Executive