



Leicester
City Council

Democratic and Civic
Support
City Hall
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Sir or Madam

I hereby summon you to a meeting of the LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL to be held at the Town Hall, on THURSDAY, 21 JANUARY 2016 at FIVE O'CLOCK in the afternoon, for the business hereunder mentioned.

Monitoring Officer

AGENDA

1. **LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th November 2015 are available to view at:

<http://cabinet.lcc.local/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=81&MId=7048&Ver=4>

Copies are also available from Democratic Support on (0116) 454 6350 or Committees@leicester.gov.uk.

4. STATEMENTS BY THE CITY MAYOR/EXECUTIVE

5. PETITIONS

- Presented by Members of the Public
- Presented by Councillors
- Petitions to be debated
 - 5.1 Petition to reject the Proposal to Close the Central Fire Station and Sell the Building.

6. QUESTIONS

- From Members of the Public
- From Councillors

7. MATTERS RESERVED TO FULL COUNCIL

7.1 Treasury Strategy 2016/17

8. REPORTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

8.1 Standards Committee Annual Report

9. EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEES

To note any changes to the Executive. To vary the composition and fill any vacancies of any Committee of the Council.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Proposed by the Deputy City Mayor, seconded by Councillor Russell:

Leicester City Council and the UK's Membership of the European Union

Over half of Britain's exports go to EU countries, worth £227 billion last year to the UK economy. UK businesses large and small are dependent on trade with the EU. Major employers from across the world choose to locate in Britain and in the East Midlands because we are a gateway into the European Union, supporting many thousands of jobs.

EU Membership has given vital rights to British workers and the EU's rules provide important protection to consumers, workers and the environment. Rights to equal pay, paid holidays, maternity and paternity leave, equal rights for part-time workers and health and safety regulations are protected under EU law.

There are direct benefits to Leicester's communities of EU membership including EU funding which supports economic growth and regeneration across the city; for example the £89m indicative allocation of EU funds to support economic and social programmes across the Leicester and Leicestershire LEP

area 2014/20 and the £24m that has supported regeneration and economic development initiatives since 2011.

We have seen significant progress in recent years in attracting major employers and jobs to Leicester. Britain leaving the EU would seriously undermine those efforts and weaken our ability to attract investment and jobs to Leicester.

The EU is not perfect and there is a strong case for reform. Leicester City Council believes that EU reform should make the EU better for the UK and that means remaining a member to lead that reform, not being a spectator on the sidelines.

Leicester City Council believes it is in the best interests of residents, business and the whole city of Leicester for the UK to remain a member of the European Union.

11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

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