

Democratic and Civic Support City Hall 115 Charles Street Leicester LE1 1FZ

27 September 2017

Sir or Madam

I hereby summon you to a meeting of the LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL to be held at the Town Hall, on THURSDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2017 at FIVE O'CLOCK in the afternoon, for the business hereunder mentioned.

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**Monitoring Officer** 

# AGENDA

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

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 July 2017 are available to view at:

http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk:8071/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=81&Mld =8209&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

### 6. QUESTIONS

- From Members of the Public
- From Councillors

## 7. MATTERS RESERVED TO COUNCIL

- 7.1 Service Plan for Food Law Enforcement
- 7.2 Treasury Strategy Investments
- 7.3 Employee Appeals against Dismissal
- 7.4 Call-In of Executive Decision Youth Service Remodelling

### 8. EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEES

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

## 9. NOTICE OF MOTION

## **National Joint Council Pay**

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

- "On average, across the country, National Joint Council (NJC) basic pay has fallen by 21% in real terms since 2010
- NJC workers had a three-year pay freeze from 2010-2012 and have received only 1% pay increase annually since then
- NJC pay is the lowest in the public sector
- Differentials in pay grades are being squeezed and distorted by bottomloaded NJC pay settlements needed to reflect the increase Statutory National Living Wage
- Leicester City Council began paying our staff the Living Wage Foundation living wage in March 2013 and formally signed the licence with the Foundation to include services the council contract with in September 2015.
   We are committed to providing those on lower wage rates with a fair and

decent rate of pay

• The likelihood of rising inflation following the vote to leave the European Union will worsen the current public sector pay inequality.

This council therefore supports the NJC pay claim for 2018, submitted by UNISON, GMB and Unite on behalf of council and school workers and calls for the immediate end of public sector pay restraint. NJC pay cannot be allowed to fall further behind other parts of the public sector.

The 2018 claim is for the deletion of NJC pay points SCP 6-9 to reach the Foundation Living Wage of £8.45 (UK) and £9.75 (London) and a 5% increase on all NJC pay points.

This council also welcomes the joint review of the NJC pay spine to remedy the turbulence caused by bottom-loaded pay settlements.

Council further notes the drastic ongoing cuts to local government funding and calls on the Government to provide additional resources to ensure local authorities can fund a decent pay rise for NJC employees and the pay spine review.

This council resolves to:

- Write to the LGA asking it to make urgent representations to Government to fund the NJC claim and the pay spine review;
- Write to the Prime Minister and Chancellor supporting the NJC pay claim and seeking additional resources to fund a decent pay rise and the pay spine review;
- Write to local NJC union representatives to convey support for the pay claim and the pay spine review."

## 10. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

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