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**TO: All Members of Council**

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Dear Member/Colleague

**Council**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee which will be held as follows:-

<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday, 16 October 2013
<b>Place:</b>	Bury Town Hall
<b>Time:</b>	7.00 pm
<b>Briefing Facilities:</b>	If Opposition Members and Co-opted Members require briefing on any particular item on the Agenda, the appropriate Director/Senior Officer originating the related report should be contacted.
<b>Notes:</b>	

**AGENDA**

The Agenda for the meeting is attached.



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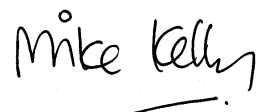
**Town Hall**  
**Knowsley Street**  
**Bury BL9 0SW**  
[www.bury.gov.uk](http://www.bury.gov.uk)

Reports are enclosed only for those attending the meeting and for those without access to the Council's Intranet or Website.

The Agenda and Reports are available on the Council's Intranet for Councillors and Officers and also on the Council's Website at [www.bury.gov.uk](http://www.bury.gov.uk) – click on **Agendas, Minutes and Forward Plan**.

Copies of printed reports can also be obtained on request by contacting the Democratic Services Officer named above.

**Yours sincerely**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive style. Below the signature is a short horizontal line.

**Chief Executive**

## **AGENDA**

**1     DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members of the Council are requested to declare any interests which they have in any items or issues before the Council for determination.

**2     MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL** (Pages 1 - 8)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 11 September 2013 in Digest 4 (2013/2014)

**3     MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive communications from the Mayor and any announcements by the Leader of the Council or the Chief Executive on matters of interest to the Council.

**4     PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

To answer questions from members of the public, notice of which has been given, on any matter relevant to the Council or its services to the community. Up to 30 minutes will be set aside for this purpose. If time permits, further questions will be invited from members of the public present.

**5     RECOMMENDATIONS OF CABINET AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES** (Pages 9 - 10)

<b><i>COMMITTEE/DATE</i></b>	<b><i>SUBJECT</i></b>	<b><i>RECOMMEN</i></b>
Democratic Arrangements Forum – 3 October 2013	Managing the Business of Council: 1) Deadline for Member Questions to Leader 2) Previous Decisions and Motions and the Six Month Rule	<b>Minu atta</b>

**6     LEADER'S STATEMENT AND CABINET QUESTION TIME** (Pages 11 - 28)

To receive a Statement from the Leader of the Council on the work of the Cabinet and to answer written questions from Members of the Council to the Leader and Cabinet Members on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the Borough, provided the necessary written notice has been given.

Verbal questions on the work of the Cabinet since the last Council meeting will be allowed subject to a limit of one question per Councillor.

**7 JOINT AUTHORITIES - REPORT BY THE COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE AND QUESTIONS** (Pages 29 - 30)

(A) A report by the Council's Representative on the work of the Crime and Police Panel, Councillor Connolly.

(B) Questions (if any) on the work of the Joint Authorities to be asked by Members of the Council for which the necessary notice has been given in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.2.

**8 CORPORATE PARENTING PANEL - CONSTITUTION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE** (Pages 31 - 66)

Report attached.

**9 NOTICES OF MOTION**

The following Notices of Motion have been received:-

**1. Government Announcement regarding School Meals**

"This Council welcomes the announcement by the Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg that all pupils in reception and years 1 & 2 will receive a hot school meal free of charge.

Council notes that:

a - Around over 6,800 pupils in Bury schools will be eligible for a hot lunchtime meal.

b - It is estimated that this will save families an average of £437 per year - a £2.5 million annual saving for Bury families (assuming 100% take up of existing free school meals).

c - Pilot schemes have indicated that where meals have been provided pupils have been two months ahead of their peers academically and increased literacy and numeracy levels by 5%.

d - Universal free meals have also improved behaviour and concentration levels at schools in the pilot areas.

e - Research by the Children's Food Trust has indicated that up 14% of low income families have failed to make a claim for free school meals.

f - Universal free meals will assist hard pressed families who are struggling to balance the family budget.

Council Resolves:

To work with our local schools and with parents to ensure a successful roll-out of this initiative and in particular to ensure that the provision of appropriate healthy meals.”

**In the names of Councillors D O’Hanlon and T Pickstone.**

## **2. Royal Mail**

“This Council recognises the hard work carried out by our local postmen and women in delivering the Royal Mail Universal Service Obligation. The Council also recognises the huge changes Royal Mail have made to improve the service, address the pensions deficit and ensure the business is more successful, efficient and profitable.

The Coalition Governments' plans to sell off this national institution will undoubtedly have a detrimental effect on service levels, the uniform pricing structures and impact disproportionality on those living in rural areas. The privatisation could also jeopardise job security and protection of our “posties” conditions of employment.

This Council therefore calls upon our two Constituency MP's to lobby the Government immediately to oppose the Privatisation of the Royal Mail. Our MP's should also ensure the Government works progressively with both Royal Mail and the Unions to further enhance the organisation and the service offered to businesses and the wider public.”

**In the names of Councillors A Audin, K Audin, M Bailey, D Bailey, N Bayley, J Black, P Bury, G Campbell, S Carter, D M Cassidy, J Columbine, M Connolly, A J Cummings, E FitzGerald L Fitzwalter, J Frith, J Grimshaw, S Haroon, P Heneghan, T Holt, A Isherwood, M A James, D Jones, J S Lewis, A K Matthews, N A Parnell, A Quinn, K Rothwell, R Shori, A Simpson, S Smith, J Smith, S Southworth, T Tariq and S Walmsley.**

## **3. Broadband Services**

“This Council notes the crucial role that high speed broadband now plays in people's everyday lives. However, there are still many rural communities in our Borough that do not have access to high speed broadband.

This Council views this situation as a serious inequality that should be addressed immediately.

Therefore, this Council resolves to push for all rural and any remaining urban areas in our borough that do not have high speed broadband to receive their share of the £990,000 of Government funding held by the Association of Greater Manchester Authorities.

This Council also resolves to do everything it can to ensure that high speed broadband is turned on as quickly as possible once the funding has been received from AGMA."

**In the names of Councillors I Bevan, R Caserta, J Daly, I Gartside, D Gunther,  
M Hankey, K Hussain, S Nuttall, B Vincent, R Walker, J Walton, M Wiseman and Y Wright**

10 **SCRUTINY REVIEW REPORTS AND SPECIFIC ITEMS "CALLED IN" BY SCRUTINY COMMITTEES**

11 **QUESTIONS ON THE WORK OF OUTSIDE BODIES OR PARTNERSHIPS**

Questions on the work of outside bodies or partnerships on which the Council is represented to be asked by Members of the Council (if any).

12 **DELEGATED DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

Questions on the delegated decisions made by the Regulatory Committees and Scrutiny Committees contained in the Digest of Decisions 4 (2013/14) published since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, providing four clear working days' notice has been given of the question.

Members are asked to bring to the meeting their copy of Digest 4 (2013/14)