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TO: All Members of Council

Dear Member/Colleague

Council

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Council which will be held as follows:-

Date:	Wednesday, 14 September 2016
Place:	Bury Town Hall
Time:	7.00 pm
Briefing Facilities:	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.
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AGENDA

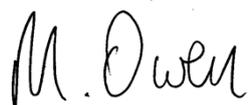
The Agenda for the meeting is attached.

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 – 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 "M. Owen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M' and a distinct 'O'.

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 (Pages 1 - 10)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Council held on 13 July 2016 (Copy attached)

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

6 LEADER' STATEMENT AND CABINET QUESTION TIME (Pages 11 - 70)

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 71 - 74)

(A) A report from the Council's representative on the work of Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority, Councillor Quinn

(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 NOTICES OF MOTION

The following Notices of Motion have been received:-

(i) Smoking

This Council recognises that tobacco related disease remains the single greatest cause of preventable deaths in England, killing 80,000 people every year, more people each year than obesity, alcohol, road accidents and illegal drug use put together. It is also the single biggest preventable cause of cancer. Tackling tobacco would play a significant part in reducing health inequalities. Thousands of children also suffer harm as a result of smoking.

In the borough of Bury, 19.5 per cent of people smoke. Each year, in Bury, smoking costs an estimated £54.5M. Rates of smoking related deaths and lung cancer in Bury are worse than the UK average.

This Council resolves to commit to signing the Local Government Declaration on Tobacco Control. This is a declaration which commits Bury Council to tackle the harm smoking causes our communities by committing the Council to:

- Reduce smoking prevalence and health inequalities
- Develop tobacco control plans with partners and local communities
- Participate in local and regional networks
- Support Government action at national level
- Protect tobacco control work from the commercial and vested interests of the tobacco industry
- Monitor progress of our plans
- Join the Smokefree Action Coalition

Signing the declaration will send out a clear signal to the people of Bury that we remain ambitious in our efforts to reduce the harm caused by tobacco. We have been working with partners at Cancer Research UK and the Bury Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to boost local action on the issue; later this month the CCG are looking to support us by signing the sister pledge, the NHS Statement of Support for Tobacco Control. These commitments underpin the work already underway to tackle smoking within the borough, including:

- Multi-agency work to continue to reduce smoking in pregnancy
- Utilizing the Healthy Workplace Charter & Working Well Bury scheme to address smoking in targeted populations e.g. Routine & Manual Workers
- Joint work with Bury CCG to systematically target populations, using GP registers
- Link with the Healthy Schools program to deliver focused educational work to break the intergenerational cycle of tobacco use and stop young people from starting a tobacco habit.

- Amplify national campaigns locally e.g. National No Smoking Day & Stoptober
- Continue to undertake work with the Trading Standards team to tackle the accessibility of tobacco products for young people, particularly in relation to illegal and illicit tobacco and underage sales.

This council therefore agrees to commit to the Local Government Declaration on Tobacco Control in order to protect successive generations of young people from the harm done by tobacco, save lives and reduce health inequalities.

In the names of Councillors P Adams, N Bayley, J Black, S Briggs, R Cathcart, M Connolly, A Cummings, E FitzGerald, J Grimshaw, S Haroon T Holt, M James, D Jones, J Kelly, S Kerrison, J Lewis, A Mckay, J Mallon, A Matthews, E O'Brien, N Parnell, C Preston, A Quinn, R Shori, R Skillen, S Smith, Sarah Southworth, Susan Southworth, T Tariq, J Walker, S Walmsley and M Whitby.

(ii) Green Belt

Council notes:

- 1 The Green Belt process, introduced from 1955, as a planning policy to protect countryside around the countries largest urban areas.
- 2 The aims of Green Belt (as stated in the 2012 National Policy Planning Framework) are:
 - To check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas
 - To prevent neighbouring towns from merging into one another
 - To assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment
 - To preserve the setting and special character of historic towns
 - To assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land
- 3 And the stated opportunities and benefits being:
 - Providing opportunities for access to the open countryside for the urban population
 - Providing opportunities for outdoor sport and outdoor recreation near urban areas
 - The retention of attractive landscapes and the enhancement of landscapes, near to where people live
 - Improvement of damaged and derelict land around towns
 - The securing of nature conservation interests
 - The retention of land in agricultural, forestry and related uses.
- 4 That significant parts of Bury (60%) have been designated as Green Belt land which makes a very significant positive contribution to the

character of the area, as well as providing opportunities for leisure and recreation.

- 5 That Green Belt also plays an important part in providing a rural barrier between the different towns and village communities that make up Bury.
- 6 The Greater Manchester Spatial Framework is currently being developed by Greater Manchester Councils to identify land for homes and jobs to 2035, including a stated aim to enhance and protect the quality of the natural environment, conserve wildlife and tackle low carbon and flood risk issues, so that we can accommodate growth sustainably.
- 7 That the GMSF process includes a strategic review of Green Belt land, the first strategic review for over 30 years.
- 8 The significant amount of 'brownfield land' available in Greater Manchester (2721 hectares in the most recent National Land Use Database), the highest amount in the North West.

This Council supports

- 1 Green Belt as an important Planning Policy which should be retained around our major urban areas going forwards
- 2 The aims, opportunities and benefits of Green Belt as stated in the National Policy Planning Framework remain valid and valid for Bury.
- 3 The stated aims of the GMSF to ensure that both appropriate and affordable housing, and provision for jobs and job creation are provided going forwards, and the aims for this growth to be sustainable.
- 4 The use of brownfield land for housing and jobs as a first priority.

This Council therefore resolves

- 1 To take what steps we can as an Authority, without prejudicing or pre-determining any future planning application or consultation, to encourage developers to use existing sites and extant planning applications
- 2 To ask our representatives to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority to continue to make a strong case for retaining a strong green belt across Greater Manchester.

In the names of Councillors M D'Albert, T Pickstone and S Wright.

(iii) Pay Increases

"This Council thoroughly deplores the recent excessive pay increases, proposed by a recent Personnel Committee report by the Labour controlled Manchester City Council to some of their already highly paid senior Council officials.

We also note that this is in stark contrast to majority of the hard working staff at Manchester City Council who have received the LGA nationally agreed 1% pay increase.

This Council resolves not to follow the example set by the Manchester City Council in giving such an excessive pay increases to our Bury Council senior managerial staff, some of whom are on six figure salaries"

In the names of Councillors I Bevan, R Caserta, J Daly, I Gartside, D Gunther, M Hankey, J Harris, R Hodgkinson, K Hussain, G Keeley, O Kersh, S Nuttall, I Schofield, D Silbiger, R Walker, and Y Wright

9 SCRUTINY REVIEW REPORTS AND SPECIFIC ITEMS "CALLED IN" BY SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

10 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).

11 DELEGATED DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Questions on the delegated decisions made by the Regulatory Committees and Scrutiny Committees contained in the Digest of Decision 2 published since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, providing four clear working days' notices has been given of the question.

Members are asked to bring to the meeting their copy of Digest 2