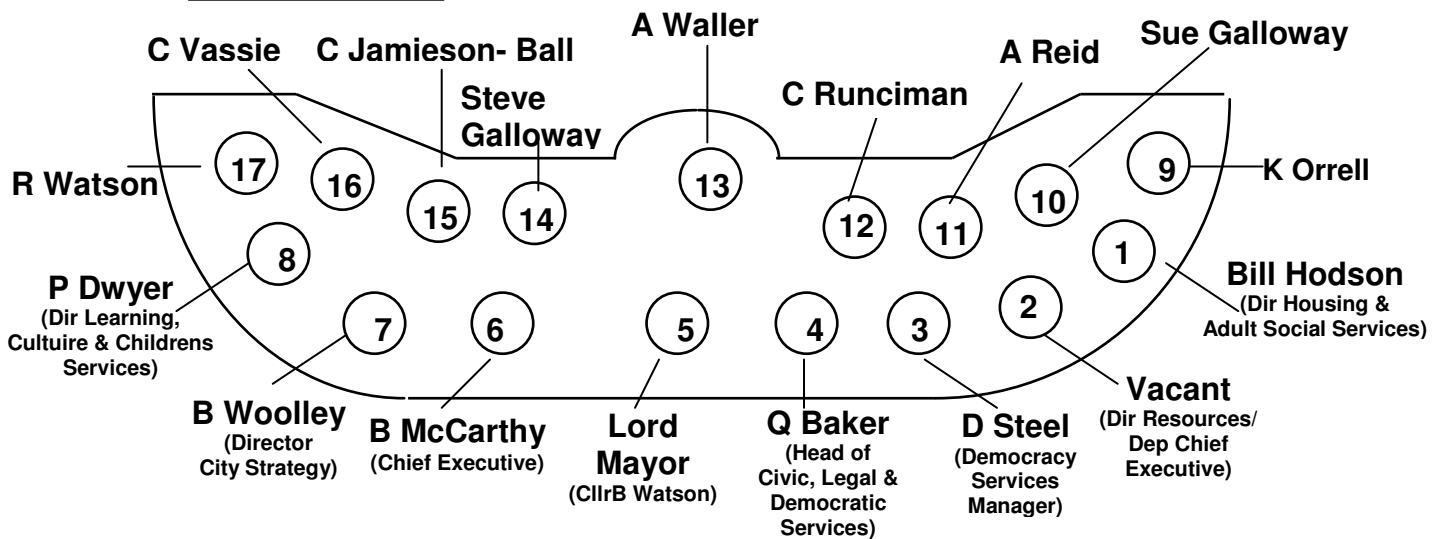
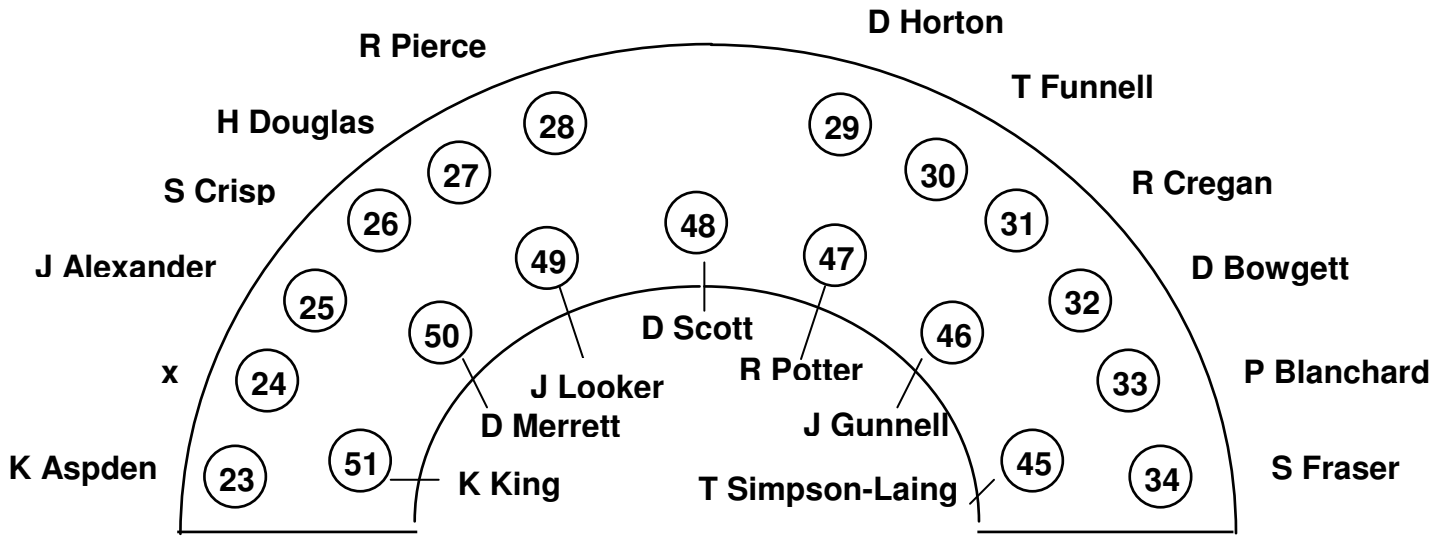


CITY OF YORK COUNCIL SUMMONS

All Councillors, relevant Council Officers and other interested parties and residents are formally invited to attend a meeting of the **City of York Council** at the **Guildhall, York**, to consider the business contained in this agenda on the following date and time

Thursday, 25 September 2008 at 6.30 pm

COUNCIL CHAMBER



A G E N D A

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

2. Minutes (Pages 1 - 22)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 June 2008.

3. Civic Announcements

To consider any announcements made by the Lord Mayor in respect of Civic business.

4. Public Participation

It is at this point in the meeting that members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the remit of Council may do so. Anyone who wishes to register, or requires further information, is requested to contact the Democracy Officer for this meeting. Contact details are listed at the foot of this agenda. The deadline for registering is **5:00pm on Wednesday, 24 September 2008**.

5. Petitions

To consider any petitions received from Members in accordance with Standing Order No.7. To date, notice has been received of petitions to be presented by:

- a) Cllr Wiseman, on behalf of residents of Strensall, concerning drainage, road surfacing and white lining in their area.
- b) Cllr Potter, on behalf of residents who want to see the introduction of 20 mph speed limits in residential streets in York.
- c) Cllr Simpson-Laing, on behalf of residents of Newlands Drive, seeking traffic measures to stop 'rat running' in their street as a consequence of the Manor School Traffic Project.

- d) Cllr Hogg, on behalf of residents of Haxby objecting to the proposed erection of a 'phone mast in Oak Tree Lane, Haxby.
- e) Cllr Douglas, on behalf of residents, regarding the Crichton Avenue Cycle Track.
- f) Cllr Douglas, on behalf of residents of Clifton Dale, requesting the Council to consider adequate provision for cyclists and pedestrians on Clifton Green.

6. Notices of Motion

To consider the following Notices of Motion under Standing Order 11:

A – Motions referred from the Executive in accordance with Standing Order 11(a)(i)

None

B – Motions submitted for consideration directly by Council, in accordance with Standing Orders 11(a)(ii)

(i) From Cllr Vassie

“Council notes that :

1) Almost a quarter of people in the UK are expected to be in fuel poverty by next year. Average household electricity bills are already expected to increase to more than £500 per year by 2010, and gas bills to around £900.

2) The Government has announced its intention to introduce a £910m package, paid for by energy companies, which is designed to tackle fuel poverty through a number of measures.

3) Worthwhile investment has been made this year to improve smart metering – the displaying of energy consumption - in approximately 20 council buildings.

4) Energy companies have profited from a £9 billion windfall from the EU emissions trading scheme and are therefore able to contribute significantly more to increasing energy efficiency and cutting bills than the Government's

package recommends.

Council believes that :

The measures of the Government's £910m package do not go far enough; they will not reduce fuel bills in the short term, and do not place a mandatory condition on energy companies to not pass the cost of this package onto the consumer, despite the emissions trading windfall.

Council resolves to:

1) Instruct the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Business to request that energy companies use this windfall, rather than pass the cost onto the customer, and to provide:

- A national home insulation programme, as proposed by the Local Government Association, which would use £500m a year from energy companies to ensure that 500, 000 people are lifted out of fuel poverty as well as sustain locally generated employment
- Social tariffs, to ensure that the 2.25 million people on pre-payment meters are not unfairly penalised by disproportionately high bills, costing the energy companies in the region of £275m a year.
- A wide scale introduction of smart meters in people's homes to record consumption rates, allowing consumers to know where changes can be made in their energy use to reduce bills.

2) Work with the Energy Saving Trust Advice Centre for York to assist with the promotion of smart metering in residents homes to help people facing fuel poverty in the city.

3) Request that council officers investigate the inclusion of smart metering in Tenants Choice."

(ii) From Cllr Scott

"This Council notes the inability of the controlling Lib Dem Executive to deliver major capital projects for the City.

- It has failed to deliver the re-provision of the Peasholme Hostel on time and within budget
- It has failed to deliver the reprovision of City Centre swimming.

- It has failed to deliver the Auditorium at the Barbican
- It has failed to deliver the Council HQ building at the Hungate site within the time scales promised.

Council notes that the Executive has now spent or committed £4.8 million of public money on the Hungate HQ project - without laying a single brick. Council considers the Lib Dem Executive's failures in these projects to be one of gross incompetence and mismanagement.

Council notes that ownership and responsibility for the project will now reside with the Director for City Strategy and wish him every success.

Council calls for similar changes in the Executive by the resignation of the Executive Member for City Strategy, Cllr Steve Galloway who must take ultimate responsibility for the catalogue of bad decisions when he was Leader of the Council.

Council requests the Executive Leader to take personal control and responsibility of all the projects to ensure the delivery of :

- the Peasholme Centre
 - the new Council HQ
 - the Community Stadium
- on time and on budget.

Council requests a monthly report from the Executive Leader from October to all elected members detailing the progress of these and future important developments in the City."

(iii) From Cllr Galvin:

"To aid the development of the Terrys Site the Council instructs the appropriate officers to treat as a matter of urgency the need for a Link Road between Bishopthorpe Road and Sim Balk Lane to the south side of the A64. Officers are therefore instructed to report to the Full Council as soon as possible addressing the following options:

- 1) the potential for funding the Link Road, with a contribution from Developers and other sources ;or
- 2) the possibility of entering into discussions with the land owners of the proposed route of such link road with the view to allowing some development for the purpose of funding a Link Road.

Such report to investigate the possibility of constructing a new junction to the west of London Bridge to facilitate speedy access on to the A64 slip roads.”

(iv) From Cllr Potter

“Council instructs the Director of City Strategy to report to the Executive on the implications of working with the City’s bus providers to extend the Yozone card to all young people in full time education up to the age of 19 years.”

(v) From Cllr Waller

“Council notes;

1. The offer by Leeds City Region Leaders to provide brownfield sites for eco-friendly development in the sub-region in lieu of a single site for an “eco-town”
2. That one of these locations was York North West, which had recently been the subject of an unsuccessful bid by the council for New Growth Point funding.
3. That should this funding become available then it would help to underpin the major investment in transport and other infrastructure required if the project is to start in the short term. It would also ensure that more sustainability is built into the design features of the development, and would help to ensure that more affordable housing is provided on the site.

Council requests that an all party delegation from City of York Council be formed to meet with the appropriate Minister with a view to making the case for York North West to receive central government “eco” / growth point funding.”

7. Report of Executive Leader and Executive Recommendations (Pages 23 - 52)

To receive and consider a written report from the Leader on the work of the Executive, and the Executive recommendations for approval, as set out below:

Meeting	Date	Recommendations
Executive	29 July 2008	Minute 51 – Web Casting of Council Meetings <i>(the report considered by the Executive on this item is attached at pages 33-52)</i> Minute 52 – Update on Carry Forward Issues and Key Considerations in the Allocation of Surplus Resources

8. Report of Executive Member (Pages 53 - 58)

To receive a written report from the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion, and to question the Executive Member thereon, provided any such questions are registered in accordance with the timescales and procedures set out in Standing Order 8(2)(a).

9. Questions to the Executive Leader and Executive Members received under Standing Order 10(c)

To deal with the following questions to the Executive Leader and / or other Executive Members, in accordance with Standing Order 10(a):

- (i) To the Executive Member for Housing and Adult Social Services, from Cllr Simpson-Laing:
“Can the Executive Member inform Council of when she last visited the ‘Family Accommodation’ at Ordnance Lane and could she comment whether she would be happy to live in the flat(s) herself?”

10. Scrutiny - Report of the Chair of the Scrutiny Management Committee (Pages 59 - 60)

To receive a report from Councillor Galvin, the Chair of the Scrutiny Management Committee (SMC) on the work of the SMC.

11. Activities of Outside Bodies

Minutes of the following meetings of outside bodies, received since the last meeting of Council, have been made available for Members to view via the Council's website at

<http://sql003.york.gov.uk/mgListOutsideBodies.asp?bcr=1>

Copies may also be obtained by contacting Democracy Support Group at the Guildhall, York (tel. 01904 551088).

- Local Government Yorkshire and Humberside- meeting in June 2008 (*Still waiting for approved minutes and exact date*)
- North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority- meeting on 18/06/08
- Pension Fund Sub-Committee – meeting on 25/06/08
- North Yorkshire Police Authority – meeting on 30/06/08
- Quality Bus Partnership – meeting on 19/06/08
- Regional Transport Forum – meeting on 19/06/08
- Safer York Partnership – meeting on 10/07/08
- Yorkshire and Humber Assembly – meeting on 26/06/08

Members are invited to put any questions to the Council's representatives on the above bodies, in accordance with Standing Order 10(b).

12. Appointments and Changes to Membership (Pages 61 - 64)

To consider the appointments and changes to membership of committees and outside bodies set out on the list attached to this summons.

13. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

Democracy Officer for this meeting:

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For more information about any of the following please contact the Democracy Officer responsible for servicing this meeting:

- Registering to speak
- Business of the meeting
- Any special arrangements
- Copies of reports

Contact details are set out above.