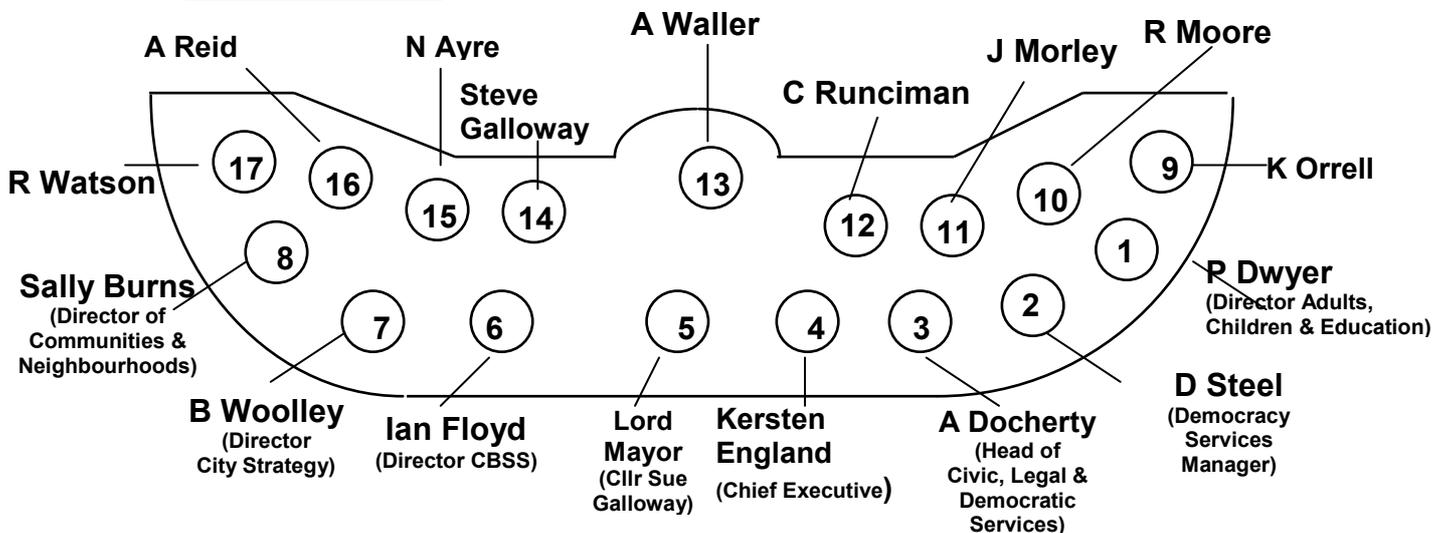
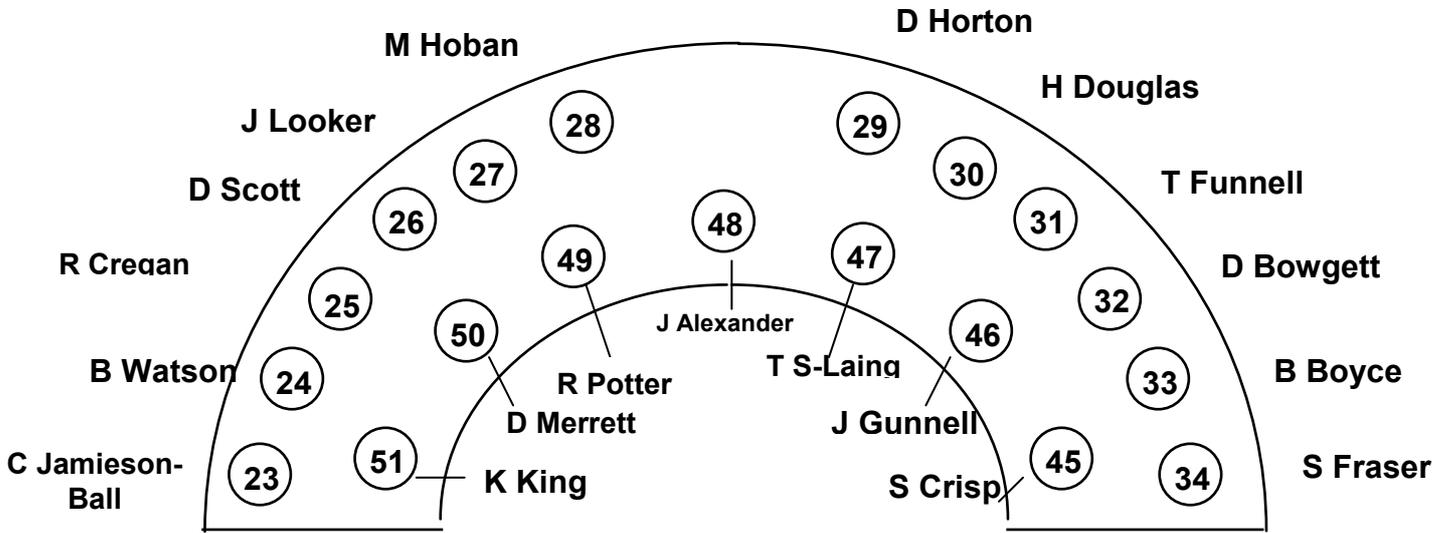


CITY OF YORK COUNCIL SUMMONS

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, 7 April 2011 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 - 72)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Special and Ordinary Council meetings held on 9 December 2010 and the Budget Council meeting held on 24 February 2011.

3. Civic Announcements

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

4. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting, any member of the public who has registered to address the Council, or to ask a Member of the Council a question, on a matter directly relevant to the business of the Council or the City, may do so. The deadline for registering is **5:00pm on Wednesday 6 April 2011**.

5. Petitions (Pages 73 - 78)

- a) To consider any petitions received from Members in accordance with Standing Order No.7. To date, notice has been received of one such petition, as follows:
 - A petition to be presented by Cllr Aspden on behalf of local residents calling for additional road markings on Selby Road, Fulford.

- b) To consider a petition submitted on-line and to the Council meeting on 24 February 2011, together with a briefing report from the Director of Adults, Children & Education. The petition relates to support for vulnerable people and has more than 1,000 signatories.

A note on the process for dealing with petitions will be circulated to Members before the meeting.

6. Report of Executive Leader and Executive Recommendations (Pages 79 - 126)

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	18 January 2011	Minute 148: <i>Revised Income Policy</i> http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CategoryId=102&MId=5503&Ver=4
Executive	1 March 2011	Minute 173: <i>City of York Local Development Framework – Core Strategy Submission Draft (LDF)</i> http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CategoryId=102&MId=5506&Ver=4
Executive	15 March 2011	Minute 182: <i>Draft Full City of York Local Transport Plan 2011 Onwards (LTP3)</i> http://democracy.york.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CategoryId=102&MId=5507&Ver=4

Note

Details of the above items can be found on the Council's website with the agendas for the relevant Executive meetings, by clicking on the web links below each item.

Printed copies of the LDF and LTP3 draft documents have been circulated to all Members.

7. Recommendations of the Audit & Governance Committee
(Pages 127 - 144)

To consider the following recommendation for approval from the Audit & Governance Committee:

Date of Meeting	Recommendations
6 December 2010	<i>Minute 53: Updated Council Response to the Petitions Duty in the Local Democracy, Economic Development And Construction Act.</i> <u>Note</u> A revised version of the Petitions Scheme referred to in the minute is attached.
15 February 2011	<i>Minute 68: Transition to New Style Leader and Cabinet Model</i> <u>Note</u> A copy of the report referred to in the minute is attached.

8. Scrutiny - Report of the Chair of the Scrutiny Management Committee (Pages 145 - 148)

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

9. Report of Executive Member (Pages 149 - 152)

To receive a written report from the Executive Member for City Strategy, 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 8.2.1.

10. 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)

- Quality Bus Partnership – meeting on 15 December 2010

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

11. Appointments and Changes to Membership (Pages 153 - 154)

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

12. Notices of Motion

To consider the following Notices of Motion under Standing Order 12:

A – Motions referred from the Executive in accordance with Standing Order 12.1(a)

None

B – Motions submitted for consideration directly by Council, in accordance with Standing Order 12.1(b)

(i) From Cllr Kirk

“Council notes the concerns raised by local residents and health professionals in regard to the Government's proposed reforms to the NHS contained in the Health and Social Care Bill and the petition collected by Defend Our NHS York.

Council is especially concerned by the introduction of a market based approach to the NHS and the impact this could have on decisions about local patient care. Council is also concerned that the proposals do little to improve on the current lack of local accountability for health care decisions.

Council supports the suggestions made in the amendments agreed at the recent Liberal Democrat conference, including ensuring elected local councillors have a strong role in making

services accountable to local people, and believes these changes should be incorporated into the Bill by the Government.

Council therefore asks the Chief Executive to write to the city's MPs asking them to support amendments to the Bill in order to address the concerns of residents and safeguard health services for local people."

(ii) From Cllr Alexander

"Council notes the Liberal Democrat Yorkshire Manifesto commitment to increase the number of police officers in Yorkshire and the Humber by 200. Instead North Yorkshire alone is set to lose 200 police officers due to Conservative Liberal Democrat funding cuts.

Council requests the Chief Executive to write to the Deputy Prime Minister to request him to halt planned police cuts."

(iii) From Cllr Wiseman

"Whereas:

There are 11 children's heart surgery units in the UK, but the NHS is proposing under its 'Safe and Sustainable' review to reduce this to 6 or 7 specialist hubs undertaking 400 operations per year;

and

The choice facing the NHS review team will be to retain either the Children's Heart Surgery Unit at Leeds General Infirmary or the unit at Newcastle to serve the north;

and

Leeds serves a major population catchments area of 14 million people in Yorkshire and the Humber, Lincolnshire and North Derbyshire, has the capacity to expand and has centralised the whole of its children's services operations on one site;

and

Leeds General Infirmary is at the forefront of work on inherited cardiac conditions and has an excellent record for providing safe, high quality children's heart surgery;

Council asks Members to join with local MPs and community groups to express all-party support for keeping open the Children's Heart Unit at Leeds General Infirmary and asks the Chief Executive to write to the Department of Health to ask for the retention of the Leeds Children's Heart Unit as the centre best placed to serve as the specialist hub for the needs of young cardiac patients in Yorkshire and the north of England."

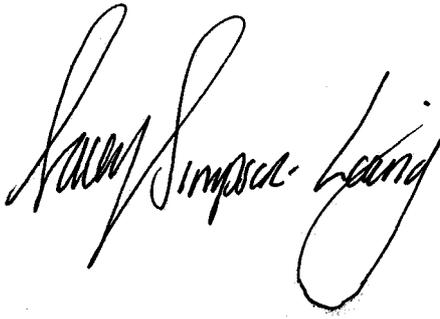
(iv) From Cllr Crisp

"Council notes the council has received a 13.3% funding cut this year yet the recent council budget passed by Conservative and Liberal Democrat councillors allowed the Communities and Neighbourhoods' recruitment agency budget of £2m to be cut by only 5%. The budget also included cuts to essential mental health services, an 80% cut to Holocaust Memorial Day funding and a £38k cut to Hull Road park resulting in it being left open 24 hours a day and staff reductions.

Council resolves to reverse the £38k cut to Hull Road park, allocate £20k to youth mental health work and reverse the 80% cut to Holocaust Memorial Day funding through increased savings in the Communities and Neighbourhoods' recruitment agency budget by £62k."

[Signed by Cllrs Alexander, Merrett, Boyce, Simpson-Laing and B Watson]





(v) From Cllr Waller

Council notes that:

1. Employment in York has been higher than the national and regional average for the whole of the last 8 years, and that York is now the 7th best performing council in the country in terms of driving down the numbers of young people not in jobs or training (NEETS).
2. In 2003 58.9% of pupils achieved 5 A* to C grades at GCSE and that by 2010 that figure had risen to 80.5%. Council further notes that City of York Council has for the fourth year been rated as a four star authority for Children's Services, being only one of 9 authorities nationally to be awarded this top rating by Ofsted.
3. Independent inspectors have rated social care services for adults as 'performing well' and that the Discus Bungalows have been replaced with modern housing, and a new supported living complex, Auden House, of the quality of provision that older residents in the city should expect.
4. In 2003 York had 3 chronically neglected pools at the end of their useful lives and plans to close one and that £18m of investment has now been secured which has seen the new Energise pool built, Yearsley Pool refurbished and work set to begin soon on the city's first competition standard pool at York Sports Village.

5. The total number of visitors to York's libraries has increased by more than 180,000 between 2003 and 2009, thanks to the innovative partnerships which helped to deliver the Explore Centre model which will now be rolled out to all the city's libraries.
6. In 2003 recycling rates were just 12% and that they now stand at almost 45%, with the city also generating less waste overall.
7. In 2003 19% of areas had unacceptable levels of litter and that thanks to York Pride, which has helped to drive up street level cleanliness, the figure now stands at 6%.
8. In 2003 roads were deteriorating faster than they could be repaired with 17% of roads and 11% of footpaths classed as in poor condition. Thanks to investment that has fallen to 11% of roads and 3% of footpaths.
9. Crime in York has fallen by more than 50% since 2003 thanks to the creation of a strong working relationship with Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Safer York Partnership.
10. In 2003 there were 100 Killed and Seriously Injured traffic accidents and that by 2009 that figure had fallen to 60.

Council further notes that this has all been achieved with the lowest charge for council services in Yorkshire.

Council puts on record its appreciation to officers for the delivery of these achievements and the high quality of results for residents of York."

13. 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 11.3(a):

- (i) To the Executive Leader, from Cllr Merrett
“What would the Council’s liability be for air quality fines should the EU fine the UK Government and this be passed onto councils?”
- (ii) To the Executive Leader, from Cllr Sunderland
“Can the Executive Leader give an update on progress with finding a funding solution for the Leeman Road Flood defence project?”
- (iii) To the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Social Inclusion, from Cllr Crisp
“York has 14 libraries and the Leader of the Council has said publicly the Executive’s plans will maintain 14 libraries. A new library is suggested to be built with the new community stadium. Which library will this replace?”
- (iv) To the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Social Inclusion, from Cllr Aspden
“How many schools in York have achieved the ARTSMARK quality award and how does this compare to the national average?”
- (v) To the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Social Inclusion, from Cllr Hyman
Can the Executive Member give details of the numbers of visitors to the city’s various festivals over the past 8 years?”
- (vi) To the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Social Inclusion, from Cllr Firth
“Can the Executive Member give an update on the progress towards bringing the Mystery Plays back to Museum Gardens next year?”
- (vii) To the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Social Inclusion, from Cllr Orrell
“Can the Executive Member give Council an update on the work that the Inclusive Arts team has done since it was created in 2009?”

- (viii) To the Executive Member for Leisure, Culture & Social Inclusion, from Cllr Hogg
“Can the Executive Member comment on how participation in sport and active leisure has changed over the past five years and how this compares to national trends?”
- (ix) To the Executive Member for Health & Adult Social Services, from Cllr Fraser
“Please explain why City of York Council is continuing to let private care providers run Adult Social Care Services in the City when at least one of them is deemed not to be working to the standards of the agreed contract. Will this provider be given a final date for when the services have to meet standards or the service brought back in house?”
- (x) To the Executive Member for Health & Adult Social Services, from Cllr Hyman
“Can the Executive Member describe the Council’s investment in Telecare and the benefits the system brings?”
- (xi) To the Executive Member for Health & Adult Social Services, from Cllr Waudby
“How many sheltered and extra care housing units were there in 2003 and how many are available now?”
- (xii) To the Executive Member for Health & Adult Social Services, from Cllr R Watson
“Can the Executive Member explain the impact of the ‘every child a talker’ project and the benefits it has brought to young children in the city?”
- (xiii) To the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods & Housing, from Cllr Sunderland
“How many applications have been received for the downsizing opportunities at Pately Place and Birch Park?”
- (xiv) To the Executive Member for Neighbourhoods & Housing, from Cllr Holvey
“Can the Executive Member say what the rate of recycling for 2010/11 is expected to be along with the expected total amount of waste collected?”

- (xv) To the Executive Member for Children’s Services, from Cllr Waudby
“Can the Executive Member give details of the results of the recent Ofsted inspection of The Glen?”
- (xvi) To the Executive Member for Children’s Services, from Cllr Aspden
“Can the Executive Member give details of the work of the Change Champions and explain how their work will be incorporated into Council decision making?”
- (xvii) To the Executive Member for Corporate Services, from Cllr Firth
“Will the Executive Member comment on the implementation of the Allpay service and whether or not it has been a success?”
- (xviii) To the Executive Member for Corporate Services, from Cllr R Watson
“What proportion of new benefit registrations are now processed within 24 hours compared to 8 years ago and how has the time taken to process benefit claims changed since 2003?”

14. Urgent Business

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

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