

To register a question for Public Question Time please email your question to [democracy@rossendalebc.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@rossendalebc.gov.uk) before 9am Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November.

**Meeting of:** The Council

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 6.30pm** or at the conclusion of Question Time and Public Engagement whichever is the later.

**Venue:** Council Chamber, The Business Centre, Futures Park, Bacup. OL13 0BB



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ITEM		Lead Member/Contact Officer
<b>A.</b>	<b>BUSINESS MATTERS</b>	
<b>A1.</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
<b>A2.</b>	To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 13th September 2023.	
<b>A3.</b>	<b>Urgent Items of Business</b> To note any items which the Chair has agreed to add to the Agenda on the grounds of urgency.	
<b>A4.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> <i>Members are advised to contact the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting to seek advice on interest issues if necessary.</i> Members are requested to indicate at this stage, any items on the agenda in which they intend to declare an interest. Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Council's Code of Conduct, they must declare the nature of any personal interest and, if the interest is prejudicial, withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the item.	Clare Birtwistle, Head of Legal/ Monitoring Officer (01706) 252438 <a href="mailto:clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk">clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>B.</b>	<b>Communications from the Mayor, the Leader or Head of Paid Service</b> To receive any communications from the Mayor, the Leader, or the Head of the Paid Service that they may wish to lay before the Council.	The Mayor, Councillor Walmsley, The Leader, Councillor A.Barnes and Rob Huntington, Chief Executive 01706 252447 <a href="mailto:robhuntingdon@rossendalebc.gov.uk">robhuntingdon@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>C.</b>	<b>ORDINARY BUSINESS</b>	
<b>C1.</b>	<b>Local Council Tax Support Scheme</b> To consider the Local Council Tax Support Scheme	Councillor Oakes/ Rob Huntington, Chief Executive 01706 252447 <a href="mailto:robhuntington@rossendalebc.gov.uk">robhuntington@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>

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<b>C2.</b>	<b>Ward Boundary Review – Allocation of Polling Districts</b> To consider the Ward Boundary Review – Allocation of Polling Districts	Councillor Lythgoe/ Clare Birtwistle, Head of Legal/ Monitoring Officer 01706 252438 <a href="mailto:clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk">clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>C3.</b>	<b>Public Meeting Schedule</b> To consider the public meeting schedule for 2024/25	Councillor Lythgoe/ Clare Birtwistle, Head of Legal/ Monitoring Officer 01706 252438 <a href="mailto:clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk">clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>C4.</b>	<b>Urgent decisions</b> To note any urgent key decisions that have been taken by the Cabinet since the last meeting of the Council:  Special Urgency Decision taken 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 regarding the Community Asset Transfer application from Whitworth Town Council.  <a href="https://www.rossendale.gov.uk/downloads/file/18140/special-urgency-community-asset-transfer-to-whitworth-town-council">https://www.rossendale.gov.uk/downloads/file/18140/special-urgency-community-asset-transfer-to-whitworth-town-council</a>	Clare Birtwistle, Head of Legal/ Monitoring Officer (01706) 252438 <a href="mailto:clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk">clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>D.</b>	<b>RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CABINET AND OTHER COMMITTEES</b>	
<b>D1.</b>	<b>Recommendation of the Governance Working Group</b> Constitution Review	Councillor Lythgoe/ Clare Birtwistle, Head of Legal/ Monitoring Officer 01706 252438 <a href="mailto:clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk">clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>E.</b>	<b>EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS</b> To consider passing the appropriate resolution under Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item since it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information under Part 1 Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972	
<b>E1.</b>	<b>Energy Development Schemes</b> To consider the Energy Development Schemes report.	Councillor A. Barnes/ David Smurthwaite, Director of Economic Development 01706 252429 <a href="mailto:davidsmurthwaite@rossendalebc.gov.uk">davidsmurthwaite@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>



**Rob Huntington**  
Chief Executive

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