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**Meeting of:** The Council

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 6.30pm or at the conclusion of Question Time and Public Engagement, whichever is the later, in the Council Chamber, The Business Centre, Futures Park, Bacup. OL13 0BB

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| <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 held on 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2017.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>A3.</b> | <b>Urgent Items of Business</b><br>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><br><i>Members are advised to contact the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting to seek advice on interest issues if necessary.</i><br><br>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, Monitoring Officer<br>01706 252438<br><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><br>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 Crawforth, The Leader, Councillor A.Barnes and Stuart Sugarman, Chief Executive<br>01706 252447<br><a href="mailto:stUARTSUGARMAN@rossendalebc.gov.uk">stUARTSUGARMAN@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a> |
| <b>C.</b>  | <b>ORDINARY BUSINESS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>C1.</b> | <b>Discretionary NNDR Relief</b><br>To consider the Discretionary NNDR Relief                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Councillor Walmsley/Phil Seddon,<br>Head of Finance 01706 252465<br><a href="mailto:philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk">philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>                                                              |
| <b>C2.</b> | <b>Urgent Decisions</b><br>To note any urgent key decisions that have been taken by the Cabinet since the last meeting of the Council.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Councillor Lamb/ Clare Birtwistle,<br>Monitoring Officer 01706 252438<br><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><br>Constitution Review                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Councillor Lamb/ Clare Birtwistle,<br>Monitoring Officer 01706 252438<br><a href="mailto:clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk">clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>                                               |

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| <b>D2.</b> | <b>Recommendation of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b><br>Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report and Work Programme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Councillor Lamb/ Clare Birtwistle,<br>Monitoring Officer 01706 252438<br><a href="mailto:clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk">clarebirtwistle@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a> |
| <b>D3.</b> | <b>Recommendation of the Cabinet</b><br>Corporate Strategy 2017-2021                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Councillor Barnes/Stuart Sugarman<br>01706 252447<br><a href="mailto:stUARTSUGARMAN@rossendalebc.gov.uk">stUARTSUGARMAN@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>                       |
| <b>E.</b>  | <b>NOTICES OF MOTION</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>E1.</b> | <p><b>Notice of Motion: To consider a notice of motion submitted by Councillors Oakes and A. Barnes</b></p> <p>Council is concerned to learn that the future of the front desk at Rossendale Police Station is uncertain as Lancashire Police and the Police and Crime Commissioner struggle to maintain basic police services; a direct result of the £75million cut to Lancashire Police by the government.</p> <p>Policing and community safety are not issues that we should be cutting corners on, and while we understand the appalling pressure Lancashire Police are under, we are totally against this proposal.</p> <p>Council therefore asks the Leader to write to the Police and Crime Commissioner expressing our deep concern and opposition to this proposal. Council also asks the Leader to write to the Home Secretary asking her to urgently review the current funding that goes to Lancashire Police and asking her to reverse these government cuts which are now resulting in police forces across the country struggling to provide the basic and community policing which is so important and valued.</p> | Councillor Oakes<br>Councillor A. Barnes                                                                                                                              |
| <b>E2.</b> | <p><b>Notice of Motion: To consider a notice of motion submitted by Councillors Hughes and Serridge</b></p> <p>On the 27th June, the Prime Minister announced a confidence and supply deal with the DUP in order to remain in Downing Street. The cost of this 2 years deal is an extra £1bn for Northern Ireland, already the best funded part of the UK, and relaxed spending rules on a further £500m previously committed by the government.</p> <p>Council notes with concern that despite repeated pleas for fair funding for local services here in Lancashire, our police, local councils, fire and rescue service, NHS and now even our schools are facing unfair and damaging cuts meaning even very basic services are under threat.</p> <p>Council asks the Leader to write to the Prime Minister asking why £1bn can be found immediately to send to Northern Ireland, and our services here in Lancashire continue to be slashed and face the ongoing threat of closure.</p>                                                                                                                                          | Councillor Hughes<br>Councillor Serridge                                                                                                                              |



**Stuart Sugarman**  
**Chief Executive**

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