

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton G82 3PU

15 October 2009

MEETING: WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

**WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
COUNCIL OFFICES
GARSHAKE ROAD
DUMBARTON**

Dear Member,

Please attend a Meeting of **West Dunbartonshire Council** to be held in the **Council Chambers, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton, on Wednesday, 28 October 2009 at 6.00 p.m.**

The business is as shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

DAVID MCMILLAN

Chief Executive

Distribution:-

All Members of West Dunbartonshire Council.

Chief Executive

Executive Director of Corporate Services

Executive Director of Educational Services

Executive Director of Social Work and Health

Executive Director of Housing, Environmental & Economic Development

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare if they have an interest in any of the items of business on this agenda and state the reasons for such declarations.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Submit for approval as a correct record, Minutes of Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held on 30 September 2009.

4. OPEN FORUM

Ms Gillian Bolton (Parent Carer on behalf of Have Your Say) – Service User/Parent Carer Involvement on Children with Disability Strategy Group

I am writing on behalf of “Have Your Say”; a network of parents and carers of children who have a disability within West Dunbartonshire.

Why is the Social Work Department’s Children with Disability Strategy Group the only Strategy Group which has no service user or parent carer involvement?

Parents did meet (until May 2008) with senior managers in the Parent’s Forum. However we have never had involvement at the Strategy Group level in spite of asking this.

The Council’s Social Work and Health Improvement Partnership has 10 Strategy Groups which represent all care groups which the Council works with. All of these, except Children with Disability have user representation.

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**5. MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE
ON 23 SEPTEMBER 2009**

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Audit & Performance Review Committee held on 23 September 2009.

**6. MINUTES OF THE JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM ON 24 SEPTEMBER
2009 (Copy to follow)**

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Joint Consultative Forum held on 24 September 2009.

7. NEW MOBILE PHONE CONTRACT

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held on 24 June 2009, submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services providing the Council with an update on the procurement of a new mobile phone contract for West Dunbartonshire Council.

8. £7 MINIMUM LIVING WAGE

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held on 29 April 2009, submit report by the Chief Executive on the possibility of adopting a £7 per hour minimum wage policy.

9. DEVELOPING THE NEW BEST VALUE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Submit report by the Chief Executive updating the Council on further progress towards developing a Best Value Improvement Plan.

10. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2008/2009

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services asking the Council to consider the Financial Statements for 2008/2009.

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11. GENERAL SERVICES REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT – PERIOD 5 (2009/10)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services advising the Council of the performance of the General Services Revenue Budget for the period to 15 September 2009.

12. GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT – PERIOD 5 (2009/10)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services providing the Council with an update on the General Services Capital Plan 2009/2010 for the period to 15 September 2009.

13. BUDGET 2010/11 – PROPOSED OUTLINE TIMESCALE

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services seeking Council approval for the preferred date for setting the 2010/11 Council Tax and Council Housing Rents.

14. REVIEW OF SALES, FEES AND CHARGES

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services seeking Council approval for a mid-year increase to the levels of existing sales, fees and charges and recommending the introduction of some additional charges on new income streams.

15. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNTS 2009/2010 BUDGETARY CONTROL STATEMENTS TO 15 SEPTEMBER 2009 (PERIOD 5)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development providing the Council with an update on the financial performance of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) to the period ending 15 September 2009.

16. HRA CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2009/2010 BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT TO 15 SEPTEMBER 2009 (PERIOD 5)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising the Council of progress of the HRA Capital Programme 2009/2010.

17. NHS INTEGRATION PROPOSALS

Submit report by the Chief Executive seeking the Council's approval, in principle, to commit to a new level of partnership and integration with the NHS. The goal would be the development of a local integrated partnership model for the strategic planning and delivery of local authority and community health services within a new combined Council/NHS structure, with particular emphasis on the integration of community based health and social work services through a single management team.

18. QUESTIONS

Questions by Councillor Patrick McGlinchey to the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee

- (a) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee give a detailed timescale for consultation with parents of Edinbarnet Primary?
- (b) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee give a detailed timescale for consultation with parents of St Joseph's Primary?
- (c) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee give a detailed timescale for consultation with parents of St Martin's Primary?
- (d) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee give a detailed timescale for consultation with parents of Vale of Leven Nursery?
- (e) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee give a detailed timescale for consultation with parents of Renton Nursery?
- (f) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee explain how the Council plans to improve upon the previous consultations with these schools, and how this set of consultations will be different?

- (g) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee confirm that this set of consultation will not be done in clusters and that each school will be consulted with individually?
- (h) Can the Convener of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee explain to the parents of Jamestown, Ladyton, Highdykes, St. Ronans, St. Kessogs, and Haldane Primary why they will not be part of the upcoming consultations?