

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

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15 October 2010

MEETING: WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

**WEDNESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CLYDEBANK TOWN HALL
DUMBARTON ROAD
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Dear Member,

Please attend a Meeting of **West Dunbartonshire Council** to be held in the **Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank, on Wednesday, 27 October 2010 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
All Executive Directors
Director of WDCHCP

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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, the Minutes of Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held on Wednesday, 29 September 2010.

4. OPEN FORUM

The Council is asked to note that no open forum questions have been submitted by members of the public.

5. MINUTES OF THE SOCIAL WORK AND HEALTH IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 11 AUGUST 2010

Submit for approval as a correct record, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Social Work and Health Improvement Committee held on 11 August 2010.

Members are asked to note that these minutes have been submitted to Council for approval as a correct record as there will be no further meetings of the Committee due to the establishment of the West Dunbartonshire Community Health and Care Partnership.

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6. MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2010

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Participation Committee held on 15 September 2010.

7. MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AUDIT AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD ON 29 SEPTEMBER 2010

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Audit and Performance Review Committee held on 29 September 2010.

8. VENUES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS IN 2011

Submit a report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services asking the Council to consider possible venues for Council meetings in 2011.

9. PROPOSAL FOR A PETITIONS COMMITTEE

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services informing the Council of the various options available to deal with petitions from members of the public and making recommendations thereon.

10. BEST VALUE IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2010/11

Submit report by the Chief Executive presenting an update on the Best Value Improvement Plan for 2010/11.

11. SHARED RISK ASSESSMENT - ASSURANCE AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Submit report by the Chief Executive presenting an updated Assurance and Improvement Plan (AIP) scorecard report.

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12. ROLES AND WORKING RELATIONSHIPS

Submit report by the Chief Executive advising the Council of the Audit Scotland report on 'Roles and Working Relationships: are you getting it right?'

13. SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2009/10 AND PROGRESS WITH THE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

Submit report by the Chief Executive seeking Council approval for the Single Outcome Agreement Annual Report 2009/10 before it is submitted to the Scottish Government.

**Note: Copies of the Appendix to the above report have been enclosed separately with this agenda for Members and Directors. Members of the public and press can access the document on the Council's website at the following web address:
<http://wdccmis.west-dunbarton.gov.uk/CMISWebPublic>**

14. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2009/10

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services asking the Council to note the audited financial statements for the year to 31 March 2010.

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15. GENERAL SERVICES REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT 2010/11 (PERIOD 5)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services informing the Council of the performance of the General Services Revenue Budget for the period to 31 August 2010.

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**16. GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT
2010/11 (PERIOD 5)**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services updating the Council on the General Services Capital Plan for 2010/2011.

17. BUDGET TIMETABLE

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services seeking approval to the budget timetable proposed for the finalisation of the 2011/12 General Fund Revenue Estimates timetable.

**18. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT 2010/11 - BUDGETARY CONTROL
STATEMENT TO 31 AUGUST 2010 (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 ended 31 August 2010.

**19. HRA CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2010/11 BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT
TO 31 AUGUST 2010 (PERIOD 5)**

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising the Council on progress of the HRA Capital Programme 2010/11 as at 31 August 2010.

20. CORPORATE ASSET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development outlining a strategy for the management of the Council's assets, aligned to future service delivery over the next 10 years and seeking approval for that strategy as well as the associated Property Asset Management Plan.

21. CORRESPONDENCE FROM WEST LOTHIAN COUNCIL

Submit for consideration, correspondence from West Lothian Council in connection with:-

- (a) Winter Fuel Payments
- (b) Future Jobs Fund

22. NOTICES OF MOTION

(A) Motion by Councillor Jim Bollan – Partial Housing Stock Transfer

In the spirit of inclusiveness this Council agrees that all matters/reports normally remitted to Housing Environment and Economic Development Committee regarding the partial housing stock transfer will now be submitted to full Council for decision.

Members are asked to note that the Council will need to suspend Standing Order No 19 (c) prior to consideration of the above motion as approval of the above motion will require Standing Orders to be altered.

(B) Motion by Councillor Jonathan McColl – Patrick Okoroafor

Members will recall that the Council has offered its support to the local branch of Amnesty International over a number of years, endorsing and encouraging action on behalf of the Prisoners of Conscience adopted by the local group.

Council notes that the group has been assigned a new prisoner. His name is Patrick Okoroafor who is now 30 years old and is a victim of a miscarriage of justice in Nigeria.

When he was 14 he was charged with robbery and following an unfair trial was sentenced to death at the age of 16.

International standards state that children under the age of 18 should not be sentenced to death. Despite his sentence being commuted to life imprisonment and then, following a successful campaign by Amnesty International and Nigerian organisations, further commuted to 10 years he has still not been released. Patrick has already spent 15 years in prison and it is believed that he has been tortured. He suffers from asthma and his long stay in prison has exacerbated his condition.

Council agrees to support campaigning activities undertaken on behalf of Patrick Okoroafor by the local Amnesty International Group and agrees that the Council Leader will write to the relevant authorities to request his release.