
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council, to be held at the Sandwell Council House, Oldbury, on Tuesday, 12th January, 2016 at 6.00pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business:-

Agenda

The Mayor of Sandwell, Councillor B Price, in the Chair

1. To receive apologies for absence (if any).
2. Declarations of interests in any matters to be discussed at the meeting.
3. To confirm as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 20th October, 2015.
4. To receive announcements from the Mayor.
5. To receive petitions under Standing Order No. 5.
6. To consider written questions under Standing Order No. 6 to:-
 - (a) the Mayor;
 - (b) the Leader of the Council;
 - (c) any other member of the Cabinet;
 - (d) any person appointed to preside at a committee, sub-committee or panel;

- (e) the members of the Council nominated pursuant to Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985, on the discharge of the functions of the following Joint Authorities:-
 - (i) West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority (Councillor J Edwards);
 - (ii) West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority (Councillor R L Horton);
 - (f) a nominated member appointed by the Council to the Board of Sandwell Leisure Trust;
 - (g) a member of the Council who is, as a result of action taken by or on behalf of the Council, a member or director of any company.
7. Budget 2016/17 to 2019/20.
 8. Proposals to Depart from the Local Development Plan at M5 Motorway, Ray Hall Lane, Great Barr, Birmingham.
 9. Sandwell Safeguarding Children Board – Annual Report 2014/15.
 10. To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 14th and 28th October, 11th and 25th November and 9th December, 2015 and to consider any policy and/or strategic recommendations arising from the meetings and to raise questions, if any, of the Leader and members of the Cabinet on any other issues contained within the minutes:-
 - (i) Council Tax Base 2016/17 (Key Decision Ref. No. FR019);
 - (ii) Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2016/17 (Key Decision Ref. No. FR020).
 11. To receive the key actions arising from the following Scrutiny Boards and to raise questions, if any, of the Chairs of the Boards on the Key Actions:-
 - (a) Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Board on 12th November and 17th December, 2015;

- (b) Children's Services and Education Scrutiny Board on 14th December, 2015;
 - (c) Community Safety, Highways and Environment Scrutiny Board on 28th October and 9th December, 2015;
 - (d) Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board on 15th October, 2015;
 - (e) Housing Scrutiny Board on 3rd November and 15th December, 2015;
 - (f) Jobs, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board on 13th October and 8th December, 2015;
 - (g) Leisure, Culture and the Third Sector Scrutiny Board on 12th October and 7th December, 2015.
12. To receive the key decisions of the Chief Officer Terms and Conditions Committee held on 11th November 2015.
13. Appointment of Members to the Independent Remuneration Panel.

Dated 4 January, 2016

**Jan Britton
Chief Executive**

Sandwell Council House
Freeth Street, Oldbury
West Midlands

To: All Members of the Council

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