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# Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

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**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, 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 at 6.00pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business:-**

## **Agenda**

**The Mayor of Sandwell, Councillor Webb, 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 annual meeting of Council held on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 and the extraordinary meeting of Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.
4. To receive announcements from the Mayor.
5. To receive petitions under Standing Order No. 5.
6. Petition for debate at Council concerning Sandwell Leisure Trust.
7. 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.
8. Annual Report of the Standards Committee 2015/16.
  9. Annual Report of the Licensing Committee and Licensing Panels for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.
  10. Proposals to Depart from the Local Development Plan at Providence Place, West Bromwich.
  11. To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 18<sup>th</sup> May, 1<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2016 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.
  12. 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 9<sup>th</sup> June 2016;
    - (b) Leisure, Culture and the Third Sector Scrutiny Board on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.

13. To consider the minutes of the meetings of the Standards Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> March and 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.
14. To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2016 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.
15. Appointments to Committees, Boards and Other Fora 2016/17.
16. Appointment of Representatives to Other Bodies.
17. To consider the following notice of motion received under Standing Order No. 7:-

**From Councillor Eling, Leader of the Council:-**

This matter to be considered without reference to a Committee, to the Cabinet or to a Cabinet Member:

“This Council believes:

"We are proud to live in a diverse and tolerant society. Racism, xenophobia and hate crimes have no place in our country. This Council condemns racism, xenophobia and hate crimes unequivocally. We will not allow hate to become acceptable.

We will work to ensure that local bodies and programmes have the support and resources they need to fight and prevent racism and xenophobia.

We reassure all people living in this area that they are valued members of our community".

**Dated 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2016**



**Jan Britton  
Chief Executive**

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West Midlands

**To: All Members of the Council**

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