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

## **Agenda**

**The Deputy Mayor of Sandwell, Councillor Downing, 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 Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.
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. Review of the Member Code of Conduct.
8. Annual Report of Audit Committee 2015/16.
9. Annual Report of the Licensing Miscellaneous Committee for the 2015-16 Municipal Year.
10. Proposals to Depart from the Local Development Plan:-
- Vaughan Trading Estate, Sedgley Road West, Tipton, Dudley Unit Trust;
  - Thomas Dudley Site, Tipton Road, Tipton, DY4 7RT;
  - Unit 1, Wharfside, Oldbury, B69 2BU.
11. Reports from members nominated pursuant to Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985 and the Council's representative on the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel.

12. To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 31<sup>st</sup> August and 21<sup>st</sup> September, 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:-
  - (i) Financial Regulations and Procurement and Contract Procedure Rules 2016/2017 (Key Decision Ref. No. CCS12);
  - (ii) Approval for Adoption of the Black Country Air Quality Supplementary Planning Document (Key Decision Ref. No. REI1036).
13. 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) Community Safety, Highways and Environment Scrutiny Board on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2016;
  - (b) Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Board on 14<sup>th</sup> July and 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2016;
  - (c) Housing Scrutiny Board on 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2016;
  - (d) Jobs, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board on 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2016;
  - (e) Leisure, Culture and the Third Sector Scrutiny Board on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.
14. To consider the minutes of the meetings of the Audit Committee held on 18<sup>th</sup> August and 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.
15. To consider the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes and Arbitration Committee held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.
16. To consider the minutes of the meetings of the Standards Committee held on 29<sup>th</sup> July and 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.

17. To receive the key decisions of the Chief Officers Terms and Conditions Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2016.
18. Appointments to Committees, Panels and Boards/  
Appointment of Representatives to Other Bodies.
19. To consider the following notice of motion received under Standing Order No. 7:-

**From Councillor Dhallu:-**

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

“This Council applauds the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) for its commitment to Hospice Respite Care within the borough and its consultation on improvement of the service, however, three days a week is not enough and we firmly believe that it is time that Sandwell had its own end of life hospice facility as do our neighbouring boroughs; Birmingham, Dudley, Walsall and Wolverhampton.

Sandwell has well over 300,000 people living here and is one of the country’s most deprived areas in England and as a consequence has one of the worst mortality rates, but should a resident fall ill with a life ending illness and need full time hospice care they have to go outside of the borough to find it. This puts enormous pressure on the patient and the family with both travel costs, health and wellbeing. Fewer families in Sandwell have private transport so the costs of public transport or taxis has a detrimental impact on finances, which are usually stretched to the limit anyway.

We ask that the CCG look urgently during the consultation at the possibility of providing a full time end of life care facility within the borough.”

**Dated 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2016**

**Jan Britton  
Chief Executive**

Sandwell Council House  
Freeth Street, Oldbury  
West Midlands

**To: All Members of the Council**

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