
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 6th March 2018 at 6.00pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business:-

Agenda

The Mayor of Sandwell, Councillor Haque, 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 16th January 2018.
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 Combined Authority (the Leader);
 - (ii) West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority (Councillor J Edwards);
 - (iii) Transport for the West Midlands (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.

Matters requiring approval or consideration by Council

- 7. Council Finances 2018-19 to 2020-21 (Key Decision Ref. No. SMBC05/02/2018).
- 8. Pay Policy 2018 and Gender Pay Gap Reporting.
- 9. Request for Extension of Six Month Attendance Rule.
- 10. Appointment to Outside Bodies.
- 11.
 - (a) Report from the Council's lead representative on the West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority;
 - (b) Report from the Council's lead representative on the Transport for the West Midlands;
 - (c) Report from the Council's lead representative on the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel;
 - (d) Report from the Leader of the Council on the West Midlands Combined Authority.
- 12. Annual Report of the Planning Committee 2017.

13. To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 10th and 31st January, 7th, 14th and 28th February 2018 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) Commonwealth Games Aquatic Centre (Key Decision Ref. No. SMBC13/10/20917);
 - (ii) Sandwell Sport and Leisure Built Facilities Strategy (Key Decision Ref. No. SMBC16173);
14. To receive the key decisions of the Chief Officers Terms and Conditions Committee held on 25th January and 8th February 2018.
15. To consider the minutes of the meetings of the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board held on 17th January and 21st February 2018 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Board on issues contained therein.
16. To consider the minutes of the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee held on 18th January 2018 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.

Dated 26th February 2018

**Jan Britton
Chief Executive**

Sandwell Council House
Freeth Street, Oldbury
West Midlands

To: All Members of the Council

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