
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 15th January 2019 at 6.00pm for the purpose of transacting the following business:-

Agenda

The Mayor of Sandwell, Councillor Edis, 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 extraordinary and ordinary meetings of Council held on 16th October 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. Sandwell Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2017-18.
- 8. Budget 2019-20 to 2021-22.
- 9. Council Tax Reduction Scheme.
- 10. Proposal to Depart from the Local Development Plan at Public Open Space, Moor Lane/Harvest Road, Rowley Regis.
- 11. Appointments to Committees/Boards.
- 12. To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 17th October, 14th November, 12th December 2018 and 9th January 2019 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 2019 – 20 (Key Decision Ref. No. SMBC01/12/2018).

13. To consider the minutes of the meetings of the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board held on 10th October and 8th November 2018 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Board on issues contained therein.
14. To consider the minutes of the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee held on 8th November 2018 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.
15. To consider the minutes of the Ethical Standards and Member Development Committee held on 7th December 2018 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.
16. To consider the minutes of the General Purposes and Arbitration Committee held on 29th October 2018 and to raise questions, if any, of the Chair of the Committee on issues contained therein.

Dated 7th January 2019

**Jan Britton
Chief Executive**

Sandwell Council House
Freeth Street, Oldbury
West Midlands

To: All Members of the Council

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