

# Agenda Cabinet

**Wednesday, 12 July 2023 at 3.30 pm  
at Council Chamber, Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street, Oldbury,  
B69 3DB**

**This agenda gives notice of items to be considered in private as required by Regulations 5 (4) and (5) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.**

**1 Apologies for Absence**

**2 Declarations of Interest**

Members to declare any interests in matters to be discussed at the meeting.

**3 Minutes (Pages 7 - 18)**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 7 June 2023 as a correct.

**4 Urgent Item of Business - Local Authority  
Housing Fund (Pages 19 - 26)**

To authorise the Director of Housing to match fund £2.195m from unallocated Housing Revenue Account reserves and/or through prudential borrowing.

**5 Award of Contract for use of Enforcement Agents**



(Pages 27 - 32)

To consider proposals to award a contract for the use of enforcement agents for a 5-year period.

6 **Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board - Customer Journey Scrutiny Review**  
(Pages 33 - 60)

To consider the scrutiny review of the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board in relation to the Customer Journey.

7 **Octopus Affordable Housing Scheme** (Pages 61 - 96)

To consider proposals to seek investment opportunities to deliver affordable housing working in partnership with Black Country Housing Group and Octopus Real Estate.

8 **Regeneration Programme & Towns Fund Bi-Annual Update** (Pages 97 - 164)

To approve proposed amendments to the Regeneration Project Pipeline.

9 **Appointment of a non-executive director of Sandwell Children's Trust** (Pages 165 - 172)

To approve the appointment of a Council appointed member as a non-executive director of Sandwell Children's Trust.

10 **Children's Social Worker recruitment and retention** (Pages 173 - 188)

To consider proposals in relation to the recruitment and retention of children's social workers.

11 **Green Spaces Annual Report 22/23 and Programme of Works 23/24** (Pages 189 - 338)

To approve the planned programme of works for green spaces for the financial year 2023/2024.

12 **Commonwealth Games Legacy Plan** (Pages 339 - 374)

To approve the SMBC Commonwealth Games Legacy Plan.

13 **Performance Management Framework – Q4 Monitoring** (Pages 375 - 544)

To consider progress on the Corporate Performance Management Framework and to approve the Q4 monitoring reports.

14 **Recommendations from Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board in response to quart 3 budget monitoring report 2022/23** (Pages 545 - 550)

To consider recommendations arising from the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board in response to quarter 3 budget monitoring report 2022/23.

15 **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

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16 **Cashless Strategy** (Pages 551 - 562)

To consider proposals regarding “Going Cashless” at Council establishments.

17 **Procurement of a Strategic Delivery Partner for the Regeneration Pipeline** (Pages 563 - 574)

To approve the scope of a Strategic Delivery Partner for the Regeneration Pipeline.

18 **West Bromwich Heat Network - Approval for final development** (Pages 575 - 620)

To approve a single preferred West Bromwich Heat Network business model.

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