

Agenda Cabinet

Wednesday 6 December 2023 at 3.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Sandwell Council House, Oldbury

1 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 **Declarations of Interest**

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

3 **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 26)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 15 November 2023 as a correct record.

4 Additional Items of Business

To determine whether there are any additional items of business to be considered as a matter of urgency.

5 **Biodiversity Net Gain and Local Nature Recovery Strategy for Sandwell** (Pages 27 - 44)

Regeneration & WMCA

To consider the Biodiversity Net Gain and Local Nature Recovery Strategy for Sandwell.



















6	Review of Council Tenant Rents and Housing Related Property Charges (Pages 45 - 68)	Housing & Built Environment
	To consider the review of Council tenant rents and housing related property charges.	
7	10 Year Business Rates Retention Agreement (Pages 69 - 172)	Finance & Resources
	To consider and recommend to Council the 10 Year Business Rates Retention Agreement.	
8	A461 Bus, Cycle & Walking Corridor - Initial scheme approval (Pages 173 - 194)	Regeneration & WMCA
	To consider the initial scheme approval for the A461 Bus, Cycle & Walking Corridor.	
9	Sandwell Strategic Road Safety Plan 2024-2030 (Pages 195 - 248)	Environment & Highways
	To consider the Sandwell Strategic Road Safety Plan 2024-2030.	
10	Q2 Budget Monitoring 2023/24 (Pages 249 - 286)	Finance & Resources
	To consider the Q2 Budget Monitoring 2023/24.	
11	Wednesbury to Brierley Hill Metro Extension (Sustainable Access Measures) - Initial scheme approval (Pages 287 - 358)	Regeneration & WMCA
	To consider initial scheme approval for the Wednesbury to Brierley Hill Metro Extension (Sustainable Access Measures)	
12	Council's Use of Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 and the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Pages 359 - 390)	Leader
	To consider the Use of Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 and the Investigatory Powers Act 2016.	

13 Forge Mill Farm Animal Welfare Policy (Pages 391 Leader - 422)

To consider the Forge Mill Farm Animal Welfare Policy.

14 Improvement Plan Progress to 1 November 2023 Leader and Letter to Secretary of State December 2023 (Pages 423 - 476)

To consider the Improvement Plan Progress to 1 November 2023 and Letter to Secretary of State December 2023.

15 **Regeneration Programme Performance** (Pages 477 - 550)

Regeneration & WMCA

To consider the Regeneration Programme Performance.

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