



**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY 24TH JULY 2019, AT 6.00 P.M.**

**PARKSIDE SUITE - PARKSIDE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENTATION**

The attached papers were specified as "to follow" on the Agenda previously distributed relating to the above mentioned meeting.

10. Motions on Notice (to follow if any) (Pages 1 - 10)

A period of up to one hour is allocated to consider the motions on notice. This may only be extended with the agreement of the Council.

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## **COUNCIL**

**24th July 2019**

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### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

The following Notice of motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor S Hughes.

#### **Playing our part in stopping climate change**

Climate change is already causing serious damage to our community in Bromsgrove and communities around the world. The Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change's 2018 Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C calls for urgent action within 12 years to protect people from the consequences of irreversible climate change. All governments: national, regional, and local have a duty to act.

Council declares a climate emergency that requires urgent action. Bromsgrove Council Cabinet will therefore commit to doing the following:

- Work with our partner authorities to review and update the Worcestershire County Climate Change Strategy, which is about to expire, ensuring ambitious targets for improvement.
- Establish a working group to engage with the community, develop an action plan and report regularly on actions taken.
- Explore areas where our services can be delivered in a way that reduces the Council's carbon emissions and look at ways in which the Council's energy supplies can be from 100% renewable sources.
- Set an aspiration for Bromsgrove to become carbon neutral.

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**NOTICE OF MOTION**

The following Notice of motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor M. Thompson.

**Trees**

Council notes the importance on logging trees felled – and re-planting – in the combat against producing a carbon-neutral world. Council resolves to make a log of every tree it cuts down and, to compensate, to plant six new trees to replace them.

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**NOTICE OF MOTION**

The following Notice of motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor A. Kriss.

**Residents' Funerals**

The Council is obliged in law to provide public burials for residents who die having no known relatives. This work is undertaken by our team at Worcestershire Regulatory Services. Whilst there are often neighbours and occasionally friends who wish to attend to pay their last respects to the deceased, there are times where our officer is the only person present.

This Council recognises the contribution that all such individuals have made to life in our district and resolves to request that officers make relevant ward councillors aware of any public burial where it appears likely that no mourners may be present in order that someone can pay last respects on behalf of the community.

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#### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor K. Van Der Plank.

#### **Reducing food waste: financial and environmental benefits**

This Council notes that:

- 1) The estimated annual cost of the food wasted in the UK is around £12bn - an average of £810 per family, per year.
- 2) Across Worcestershire, approximately a third of black bin waste is wasted food. WCC dispose of around 42,000 tonnes of food waste each year which equates to more than £4.5m in disposal costs.
- 3) 3) Education and awareness campaigns such as the national 'love food hate waste' initiative can have a big impact on reducing food wastage at the same time as saving both individual and councils money.
- 4) 4) More than 8 million people in the UK live in households that struggle to put food on the table, with more than half regularly going a whole day without eating. (Source: Food Foundation, using UN data).
- 5) Using food waste to feed the hungry is not a solution to food poverty, however, whilst both food waste and food poverty co-exist, we should ensure surplus food is used to help people in need.

This Council resolves:

To reduce food waste across the District by developing a practical action plan to include:

- communication and education activities to improve understanding and change behaviours in order to reduce food waste;
- work in partnership with other authorities and organisations on food waste initiatives and campaigns to increase awareness and participation;
- set an ambitious target for food waste reduction across our district and measure our performance against this; and
- support and encourage food redistribution initiatives and encourage local retailers and businesses to sign up to food redistribution schemes.

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The following Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor S. Douglas.

**Green Plan**

This motion calls for a Council cross-party group to be set up to identify a Green Plan for the Council to identify ways the Council can become more environmentally friendly for Bromsgrove with agreed terms of reference.

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