



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a MEETING of BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL to be held in the Council Chamber at The Council House, Burcot Lane, Bromsgrove at 6.00 pm on Tuesday, 24th April, 2007, when the business referred to below will be brought under consideration:-

The meeting will be opened with a prayer.

1. **Minutes** (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 27th March 2007

2. **To receive apologies for absence**

3. **Declarations of Interest**

4. **To receive any announcements from the Chairman and/or Head of Paid Service**

5. **To receive any announcements from the Leader**

6. **Questions on Notice**

To deal with any questions on notice from Members of the Council, in the order in which they have been received.

7. **Recommendations from the Executive Cabinet** (Pages 5 - 8)

To receive any recommendations made by the Executive Cabinet at its meetings held on 4th April 2007 and 24th April 2007 (attached)

8. **Recommendations from the Standards Committee** (Pages 9 - 10)

To receive any recommendations made by the Standards Committee at its meeting held on 5th April 2007

9. **Recommendations from the Appointments Committee** (Pages 11 - 12)

To receive any recommendations made by the Appointments Committee at its meeting held on 20th April 2007 (attached)

10. **Motion**

To consider the following motion submitted by Councillor P. M. McDonald:-

“Bromsgrove District Council has spent an unbelievable £681,459 on consultants, £641,505 on temporary/agency staff and £194,626 on casual payments. This was in spite of a scrutiny exercise carried out recently to control the expenditure on such items. The efforts of the scrutiny task group failed with finances now getting out of control and residents not receiving value for money. Such expenditure has contributed to Bromsgrove increasing the council tax to the highest level permitted without being capped and services being cut.

The total figure of exceptional payments is now a staggering £1.517.590, this cannot continue and every effort must be made to restrict such expenditure and ensure residents of Bromsgrove receive value for money.

To ensure that the finances of the Council are kept under control and that residents do receive value for money: that in future all proposed expenditure on consultants, temporary/agency and casuals payments will be placed on the agenda of all Full council Meetings for Council approval. This will ensure that in future all councillors of Bromsgrove will not only know what is going on with the Council's finances, but will have a direct say in such expenditure.”

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Chief Executive

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL