



## **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 p.m. on Wednesday 26th February 2014, when the business referred to below will be brought under consideration:-**

**The formal business will be preceded by a prayer.**

1. **To receive apologies for absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

3. **To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 20th November 2013 (Pages 1 - 10)**

4. **To receive any announcements from the Chairman, the Civic Head and the Head of Paid Service**

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

6. **Political Balance of the Council (Pages 11 - 14)**

The Council is asked to note a change to its political make-up. A new political group has been formed, the Independent Alliance. The political groups on the Council are now Conservative with 25 members; Labour with 10 and Independent Alliance with 4.

The Council is required by law to review its allocation of seats on Committees when a new group is formed and the process is set out in the enclosed report. Further details arising from this will be circulated when available.

7. **Recommendations from the Cabinet Meetings held on 4th December 2013 and 26th February 2014** (Pages 15 - 16)

To consider the recommendations from the meeting(s) of the Cabinet held on 4th December 2013 (attached) and 26th February 2014 (to follow) (*the full Cabinet reports are enclosed for information at the back of the Council agenda book*)

- Finance Monitoring - Quarter 2 2013/2014
- Medium Term Financial Plan - 2014/2015 to 2016/2017

Note: that under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, the Council is required to take a named vote when a decision is made on the budget calculation or precept at a budget decision meeting of the Council.

Note: that under Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, any Councillor who is 2 or more months in arrears with their Council Tax payments cannot participate in any item at the Council meeting concerning the budget. This statutory provision overrides any dispensation granted.

8. **To set the Council Tax for 2014/2015 (THE PROPOSED STATUTORY RESOLUTIONS WILL BE TABLED AT THE MEETING)**

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9. **To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 4th December 2013, 8th January 2014 and 5th February 2014** (Pages 17 - 32)

10. **Report and Recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel** (Pages 33 - 46)

The Independent Remuneration Panel makes recommendations to the Council about the level of allowances, to which the Council “has regard”. The Panel’s report and recommendations for allowances for 2014-2015 is enclosed.

11. **Membership of Committees**

To note that Councillor R Dent has replaced Councillor J Brogan as a member of the Planning Committee.

12. **Questions on Notice**

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

13. **Motions (To follow if any)**

Background Information on recommendation from the Cabinet - Finance Monitoring Quarter 2 2013/2014 (Pages 47 - 66)

Background Information on recommendations from the Cabinet - Medium Term Financial Plan 2014/2015 to 2016/2017 (Pages 67 - 92)

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL