

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 19TH MAY 2021 <u>AT 6.00 P.M.</u>

THE RYLAND CENTRE, NEW ROAD, BROMSGROVE B60 2JS

MEMBERS: Councillors R. J. Laight (Chairman), A. J. B. Beaumont (Vice-Chairman), S. J. Baxter, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, S. P. Douglas, A. B. L. English, M. Glass, S. G. Hession, C.A. Hotham, R. J. Hunter, R. E. Jenkins, H. J. Jones, A. D. Kent, J. E. King, A. D. Kriss, L. C. R. Mallett, K.J. May, M. Middleton, P. M. McDonald, S. A. Robinson, H. D. N. Rone-Clarke, M. A. Sherrey, C. J. Spencer, P.L. Thomas, M. Thompson, J. Till, K. J. Van Der Plank, S. A. Webb and P. J. Whittaker

<u>AGENDA</u>

Welcome

- 1. Election of Chairman
- 2. Election of Vice Chairman
- 3. To receive apologies for absence
- 4. **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.

- 5. Minutes of the Council meeting held on 21st April 2021 (Pages 1 14)
- 6. To receive any announcements from the Chairman and/or Head of Paid Service

- 7. To receive any announcements from the Leader
- 8. **Urgent Decisions** (Pages 15 46)
- 9. Appointments of Committees 2021/22 (Pages 47 70)
- 10. Scheme of Delegations (Pages 71 150)

To consider whether to hold a break in proceedings

11. Appointments to Outside Bodies

To approve the extension of existing appointments to Outside Bodies pending consideration of a report at the next meeting of the full Council.

The exception to this is in respect of a vacancy on the Artrix Holding Trust, following Councillor H. Rone-Clarke's resignation from the Holding Trust.

To consider nominations to fill the vacant position on the Artrix Holding Trust. A nomination has been received in respect of Councillor P. McDonald.

12. **Questions on Notice** (Pages 151 - 152)

There will be a maximum of 15 minutes dedicated to consideration of Questions on Notice. There will be no supplementary questions.

13. Motions on Notice

The Motions that were deferred from the meeting of Council held on Wednesday 21st April 2021 will be considered at the next Council meeting due to take place in June.

The exception to this will be the Motion in respect of Waseley Hills Country Park, which group leaders have agreed will be referred initially for debate at the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board.

14. To consider any urgent business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Democratic and Property Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting

K. DICKS Chief Executive

Parkside Market Street BROMSGROVE Worcestershire B61 8DA

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<u>GUIDANCE ON FACE-TO-FACE</u> <u>MEETINGS</u>

Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic Bromsgrove District Council will be holding this meeting in accordance with the relevant social distancing arrangements for holding face-to-face meetings at a local authority.

Please note that this is a public meeting and will be live streamed for general access via the Council's YouTube channel.

You are able to see and hear the livestream of the meeting from the Committee Pages of the website, alongside the agenda for the meeting.

If you have any questions regarding the agenda or attached papers, please do not hesitate to contact the officer named above.

GUIDANCE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS ATTENDING MEETINGS IN PERSON

In advance of the Committee meeting, Members are encouraged to consider taking a lateral flow test, which can be obtained for free from the NHS website. Should the test be positive for Covid-19 then the Member should not attend the Committee meeting, should provide their apologies to the Democratic Services team and should self-isolate in accordance with national rules.

Members and officers are encouraged to wear face masks during the Council/Committee meeting, unless exempt. Face masks should only be removed temporarily if the Councillor/ officer requires a sip of water and should be reapplied as soon as possible. Refreshments will not be provided by the venue, therefore Members and officers are encouraged to bring your own supply of water.

Hand sanitiser will be provided for Members to use throughout the meeting.

The meeting venue will be fully ventilated and Members and officers may need to consider wearing appropriate clothing in order to remain comfortable during proceedings.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Members of the public will still be able to access meetings of Council/ Planning Committee in person if they wish to do so. However, due to social distancing requirements to ensure the safety of participants during the Covid-19 pandemic there will be limited capacity and members of the public will be allowed access on a first come, first served basis. Members of the public in attendance are encouraged to wear face-masks, to use the hand sanitiser that will be provided and will be required to sit in a socially distance manner at the meetings. It should be noted that members of the public who choose to attend in person do so at their own risk.

Alternatively, members of the public may prefer to observe the meeting safely on the Council's YouTube channel.

In line with Government guidelines, any member of the public who has received a positive result in a Covid-19 test on the day of a meeting should not attend in person and should self-isolate in accordance with the national rules.

Notes:

Although this is a public meeting, there are circumstances when Council might have to move into closed session to consider exempt or confidential information. For agenda items that are exempt, the public are excluded and for any such items the live stream will be suspended and that part of the meeting will not be recorded.



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- You can inspect minutes of the Council, Cabinet and its Committees/Boards for up to six years following a meeting.
- You can have access, upon request, to the background papers on which reports are based for a period of up to six years from the date of the meeting. These are listed at the end of each report.
- An electronic register stating the names and addresses and electoral areas of all Councillors with details of the membership of all Committees etc. is available on our website.
- A reasonable number of copies of agendas and reports relating to items to be considered in public will be made available to the public attending meetings of the Council, Cabinet and its Committees/Boards.
- You have access to a list specifying those powers which the Council has delegated to its Officers indicating also the titles of the Officers concerned, as detailed in the Council's Constitution, Scheme of Delegation.

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- Meeting Agendas
- Meeting Minutes
- > The Council's Constitution

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