



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 22ND JUNE 2022

AT 6.00 P.M.

PARKSIDE SUITE - PARKSIDE

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

AGENDA

WELCOME

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 18th May 2022 (Pages 1 - 14)**

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

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

6. **To receive comments, questions or petitions from members of the public**
(Pages 15 - 16)

A period of up to 15 minutes is allowed for members of the public to make a comment, ask questions or present petitions. Each member of the public has up to 3 minutes to do this. A councillor may also present a petition on behalf of a member of the public.

7. **Urgent Decisions**

8. **Audit, Standards and Governance Committee's Annual Report 2021/22**
(Pages 17 - 36)

9. **Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2021/22** (Pages 37 - 62)

10. **To receive and consider a report from the Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services and Community Safety** (Pages 63 - 74)

Members are asked to note that this report focuses on community safety only. Environmental Services were the subject of a separate report from the Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services and Community Safety considered in January 2022.

Up to 30 minutes is allowed for this item; no longer than 10 minutes for presentation of the report and then up to 3 minutes for each question to be put and answered.

11. **Section 151 Officer Appointment** (Pages 75 - 80)

12. **Recommendations from the Cabinet meetings held on 3rd May and 1st June 2022** (Pages 81 - 84)

To consider the recommendations from the meeting of the Cabinet held on 3rd May and 1st June 2022.

13. **Background Information on the recommendations from the Cabinet**

(i) Treasury Management and Investment Strategy (Pages 85 - 118)

(ii) Council Plan (Including Restoration and Recovery Plan) (Pages 119 - 188)

14. **To note the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 3rd May and 1st June 2022** (Pages 189 - 200)

15. **Questions on Notice** (Pages 201 - 204)

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

A period of up to 15 minutes is allocated for the asking and answering of questions. This may be extended at the discretion of the Chairman with the agreement of the majority of those present.

16. **Motions on Notice** (Pages 205 - 206)

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.

17. **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**

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14th June 2022

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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 SPEAKING

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Members of the public will also be able to access the meeting in person if they wish to do so. Seating will be placed in such a way as to achieve as much space as possible for social distancing to help protect meeting participants. It should be noted that members of the public who choose to attend in person do so at their own risk.

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