



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2023

AT 6.00 P.M.

PARKSIDE SUITE - PARKSIDE

MEMBERS: Councillors S. Ammar (Chairman), B. Kumar (Vice-Chairman), A. Bailes, R. Bailes, S. J. Baxter, S. R. Colella, A. M. Dale, J. Elledge, S. M. Evans, D. J. A. Forsythe, E. M. S. Gray, C.A. Hotham, D. Hopkins, R. J. Hunter, H. J. Jones, R. Lambert, M. Marshall, K.J. May, P. M. McDonald, B. McEldowney, S. T. Nock, D. J. Nicholl, J. Robinson, S. A. Robinson, H. D. N. Rone-Clarke, J. D. Stanley, D. G. Stewart, C. B. Taylor, 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 19th July 2023 (Pages 1 - 30)**

4. **Changes to Committee Membership**

Members are asked to note the changes to the following Committee:

Appointments Committee:

Councillor S. Baxter (Member) and Councillor C. Hotham (substitute)

Councillor David Stewart – (substitute)

Councillor Shirley Webb (substitute)

5. **Governance Systems Task Group Report (Pages 31 - 80)**

A copy of the Governance Systems Task Group's report has been attached together with a report from the Council's Statutory Officers in respect of the findings detailed in the report.

The notes arising from a briefing for all Members on the subject of the Task Group review, at Appendix 7 to the report, will follow in a supplementary pack for the meeting.

A copy of the presentation delivered at that briefing will be published in a separate background papers pack.

(i) Overview and Scrutiny Board - Recommendation on the Governance System Task Group's Report (Pages 81 - 82)

The recommendation agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Board, at a meeting held on 11th September 2023, on the subject of the Governance Systems Task Group review, has been attached.

The relevant extract from the minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting held on 11th September 2023 will follow in a supplementary pack.

(ii) Recommendations from the Cabinet

Any recommendations from the Cabinet meeting held on 13th September 2023 in respect of the Governance Systems Task Group will be published in a supplementary papers pack to this agenda. The relevant extract from the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet will also be published in a supplementary pack.

All other Cabinet recommendations arising from the meeting on 13th September 2023 will be considered at the ordinary Council meeting due to take place on 25th October 2023.

6. **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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12th September 2023

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