



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY 2025

AT 6.00 P.M.

PARKSIDE SUITE - PARKSIDE

MEMBERS: Councillors S. M. Evans (Chairman), B. Kumar (Vice-Chairman), S. Ammar, A. Bailes, R. Bailes, S. J. Baxter, J. Clarke, S. R. Colella, A. M. Dale, J. Elledge, D. J. A. Forsythe, E. M. S. Gray, C.A. Hotham, D. Hopkins, R. J. Hunter, H. J. Jones, R. E. Lambert, M. Marshall, K.J. May, P. M. McDonald, B. McEldowney, S. T. Nock, D. J. Nicholl, S. R. Peters, J. Robinson, S. A. Robinson, J. D. Stanley, K. Taylor, H. D. N. Warren-Clarke, 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 meetings of the Council held on 14th May and 19th June 2025** (Pages 7 - 36)
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**

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 Annual Report 2024/25** (Pages 37 - 52)
9. **Overview and Scrutiny Board Annual Report 2024/25** (Pages 53 - 76)
10. **Constitution Review - Recommendations**

The Constitution Review Working Group agreed recommendations at a meeting held on Friday 4th July 2025. As the meeting was held only one clear working day before the agenda for this Council meeting was due to be published, a report detailing the group's proposals will be published in a supplementary pack for the meeting.

(To follow)

11. **Recommendations from the Cabinet** (Pages 77 - 78)

To consider the recommendations from the meeting of the Cabinet held on 18th June 2025.
12. **Background Information on the recommendations from the Cabinet**
 - (i) Contaminated Land Strategy (Pages 79 - 124)
 - (ii) Warm Homes Local Grant Funding and Resources (Pages 125 - 132)
 - (iii) Appointments to the Shareholders Committee (Pages 133 - 140)
13. **To note the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 18th June 2025** (Pages 141 - 150)

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

To deal with any questions on notice from Members of the Council, in the order in which they have been received. Each Councillor due to ask a Question on Notice may ask up to one supplementary question, which must be based on the original question or the answer provided to that question.

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.

15. **Motions on Notice** (Pages 153 - 154)

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.

16. **To consider any urgent business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Democratic and Procurement 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**

17. **To consider, and if considered appropriate, to pass the following resolution to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of item(s) of business containing exempt information:-**

"RESOLVED: that under Section 100 I of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it/they involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act, as amended, the relevant paragraph of that part, in each case, being as set out below, and that it is in the public interest to do so:-

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Paragraph(s)</u>	
18	3 and 4	"

18. **Cabinet Minutes 18th June 2025 - Exempt Minute** (Pages 155 - 158)

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8th July 2025

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Notes:

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