

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 4 APRIL, 2012 AT 4.00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

Notice is hereby given of the above mentioned meeting of the Council which you are summoned to attend for the purpose of transacting the business set out below:-

1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members

To declare any personal or prejudicial interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct and any possible contraventions under Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

Members should refer to the guidance included as part of this agenda.

3. Minutes

To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29 February, 2012, Minute Nos. 89 - 99 and 100 - 101; Page Nos. 52 – 57 and 58 – 59, plus Annexes.

4. The Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence

5. Questions in Accordance with Rule 8

No questions have been submitted in accordance with Rule 8.

6. Part 1 Minutes of Cabinet, Committees and Panels

To (a) consider reports and determine recommendations and matters referred to the Council for specific determination and (b) receive for information details of resolutions in respect of powers

and duties delegated by the Council in Part 1 Minutes of the following Cabinet, Committees, Panels and Forums: -

- (a) Cabinet
 - (i) 2 February, 2012
Minutes 131 - 154
Page Nos. 77 - 89
 - (ii) 22 February, 2012
Minutes 156 -
Page Nos. 91 - 94
- (b) Planning Control Committee
 - (i) 1 February, 2012
Minutes 101 - 109
Page Nos. 40 - 42
 - (ii) 22 February, 2012
Minutes 110 - 121
Page Nos. 43 - 48
- (c) Scrutiny Committee
 - (i) 28 November, 2011
Minutes 14 - 20
Page No. 12 - 15
- (d) Health Scrutiny Committee
 - (i) 13 September, 2011
Minutes 16 - 24
Pages Nos. 9 - 12
 - (ii) 23 January, 2012
Minutes 39 - 47
Page Nos. 22 - 25
- (e) Cannock Community Forum
 - (i) 22 November, 2011
Minutes 22 - 32
Page Nos. 14 - 20
- (f) Heath Hayes, Norton Canes and Wimblebury Community Forum
 - (i) 15 November, 2011
Minutes 19 - 26
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- (g) Rugeley and Brereton Community Forum
 - (i) 21 November, 2011
Minutes 1 - 11
Page Nos. 1 - 4

7. Recommendation(s) Referred from Cabinet meeting held on 15 March, 2012

In respect of:

- (A) The following recommendation(s) referred from the Economic Development and Planning Policy Development Committee of 8 December, 2011, as endorsed by the Planning Control Committee of 22 February, 2012:

“That Council be recommended to sign up to the Charter Mark for the Greater Birmingham & Solihull LEP and the Stoke & Staffordshire LEP.”

- (B) Discretionary Housing Payments Policy

“That Council be recommended to support the use of Additional DWP funding to support Benefit claimants through the Discretionary Housing Payment scheme.”

- (C) Growing Places Fund

That Council at its meeting of the 4 April 2012 be requested to include the Mill Green Infrastructure Scheme in the Capital Programme, subject to Growing Places Funding being secured; the scheme to be underwritten by interim prudential borrowing.”

For further information, Members are asked to refer to reports and supporting papers available from the Members’ Portal and the Council’s website under the Cabinet meeting of 15 February, 2012.

Additional copies can be provided on request from the Democratic Services section.

8. Localism Act, 2011 – Pay Policy Statement

Report of the Leader of the Council (Enclosure 8.1 – 8.6, plus attachments).

9. Calendar of Meetings, 2012-13

Report of Chief Executive (Enclosure 9.1 – 9.6, plus attachments).

10. Review of the Constitution

Report of Monitoring Officer (Enclosure 10.1 – 10.6, plus attachments).

11. Scheme of Members’ Allowances 2012

Report of the Chief Executive (Enclosure 11.1 – 11.5, plus attachments).

12. Exclusion of the Public

The Chairman to propose the following motion:-

"That the public be excluded for the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph(s) 1, 2 and 3, Part 1, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act, 1972."

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PART 2

13. Part 2 Minutes of Cabinet, Committees, Select Committees and Panels

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(a) Cabinet

- (i) 2 February, 2012
Minutes 155
Page Nos. 90

14. Appointment of Head of Finance

Not for Publication Report of Chief Executive (Enclosure 13.1 – 13.5).



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27 March, 2012

GUIDANCE ON DECLARING PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

DEFINITION OF WHAT IS A PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

A PERSONAL INTEREST is one where your well-being or financial position, or those of a relative or friend would be affected by the decision.

You automatically have a personal interest if you have given notice in the Register of Members' Interests under Paragraph 14 and 15, e.g. if you are appointed to an outside body by the Council.

A PREJUDICIAL INTEREST is where a member of the public knowing the facts would reasonably regard the interest as so significant that it would prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

PLEASE MAKE IT CLEAR WHETHER IT IS A PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST.

It would be helpful if, prior to the commencement of the meeting, members informed Legal & Democratic Services Unit of any declarations of interest, of which you are aware. This will help in the recording of the declarations in the minutes of the meeting.

DECLARING INTERESTS AT FULL COUNCIL

The Code of Conduct only requires that personal interests (or personal and prejudicial interests) are declared where the matter to which the interest relates is being considered. Some items will be mentioned in the papers for full Council but are not actually being considered by Full Council. In particular, some items are mentioned as having been dealt with in Cabinet but are not actually mentioned or discussed at full Council. In such circumstances the Monitoring Officer's advice to Members is that there is no need to declare an interest unless the particular matter is mentioned or discussed. As a general rule, Members only need to declare an interest at full Council in the following circumstances:

- Where a matter is before the Council for a decision and/or
- Where the matter in which the Member has an interest is specifically mentioned or discussed at the Council meeting.