



CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 5 AUGUST, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.

MEETING TO BE HELD VIA REMOTE ACCESS

PART 1

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 interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

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

3. Minutes

To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 24 June, 2020, Minute Nos. 1 – 17; Page Nos. 1 – 8.

4. Questions Received from the Public under Council Procedure Rule 4B(c)

(i) To receive the following question submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4B(c) by Emma Hunneyball:

“Following news that the McArthur Glen shopping outlet has been delayed until 2021, what plans do the Council have to regenerate our town centres?”

(ii) To receive the following question submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4B(c) by Bob Eccleston:

“What is the Council’s Policy on dogs fouling our footpaths?”

- (iii) To receive the following question submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4B(c) by Bob Eccleston:

“As a resident of Bridgtown for 35 years, I was under the impression that we had plain rules stating that businesses could trade between the hours of 7am till 7pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 1pm on a Saturday. These times were negotiated with the then BRAG (Bridgtown Residents Action Group). There was exceptions to this rule, those being shops and pubs. Can you tell me when these rules were lifted?”

- (iv) To receive the following question submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4B(c) by Stuart Haynes:

“As Cannock Chase District Council is a member of the SAC Partnership and party to the commissioning of ‘The Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation (SAC) Access Management and Monitoring Measures Detailed Implementation Plan: Car Parking’, can the Cabinet member confirm the view of the administration in respect to the report and confirm the full details of the oversight, governance and accountability arrangements for the SAC Partnership?”

5. The Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence

To receive any Announcements and Correspondence from the Chairman of the Council.

6. The Leader's Announcements and Correspondence

To receive any Announcements and Correspondence from the Leader of the Council.

7. Questions Received under Council Procedure Rule 8

No Questions have been received under Council Procedure Rule 8.

8. Recommendations Referred from Cabinet, Committees etc.

- (i) To consider the following recommendation to Council, made by Cabinet at its meeting held on 16 July 2020, in respect of:

Priority Delivery Plans – Outturn for 2019/20 and Revisions for 2020/21

“That Council, at its meeting to be held on 5 August 2020, be recommended to approve the revised Priority Delivery Plans for 2020/21, as detailed in Appendices 3a to 3d of the 16 July 2020 Cabinet report.”

A copy of the related Cabinet report for the above recommendation can be viewed via the following link:

www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/council/meetings/agendas-reports-minutes/102/2020-07-16

9. Motions Received under Council Procedure Rule 6

- (i) To consider the following Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 6 by Councillor P.D. Startin, Deputy Leader of the Opposition:

“The Covid-19 pandemic continues to have a profound impact in our local communities, this impact is not only on health, it is also socially and economically damaging. The repercussions may be felt for a long time.

The sheer nature of a public health pandemic means much of the recovery is beyond our control. However, we can have a positive influence over our town centres. They are the responsibility of this Council.

I propose a review be undertaken in respect of car parking charges and, whilst that review takes place, a parking charge holiday of 3 months. This would increase footfall and help to attract people back into our local towns. It would show traders that we are on their side and it would encourage people to visit the markets, go for a coffee, have lunch and help the shops that are in desperate need of customers. It would encourage residents to shop locally.

It is noted that the Council is under a heavy financial burden, but that burden will be significantly worse if we fail to support the local shops, cafes and pubs across the District. It is our duty to help them to weather the storm and provide a supportive boost.

Not only would this support local businesses, it would also help residents who have been financially affected by the crisis. It would encourage people to safely adjust to this new way of life, helping to provide some sense of normality, improve mental wellbeing and increase social engagement whilst taking the necessary social distancing precautions.

Therefore, we move that as a matter of urgency that Cabinet reviews car parking charges and implements a holiday period whilst this review takes place. I hope this Council will help to better facilitate use of our town centres by supporting this motion and help the various and numerous traders in recovery from this horrendous situation.

This Motion may have financial consequences for the Council and so if approved in current form or amended, it will need to be subject to a report to Cabinet setting out the financial and other issues that will also require Member approval before the Motion can be implemented.

- (ii) To consider the following Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 6 by Councillor Mrs. C.E. Martin, Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Leader.

“The Managing Director writes to Staffordshire County Council asking that they consider a three month amnesty (i.e. waiving all charges) on disposal of trade waste at the recycling centres.

This will encourage the use of the sites and discourage illegal fly-tipping. This period will also allow for information to be gathered re: businesses that need to dispose of trade waste and the data used for analysis in later investigations in concert with the Environment Agency and Environmental Health, should the problems start to re-occur.

Businesses could also be approached as to their views. For example, are the charges too high or the opening hours not long enough, is there a presumption that the illegal fly-tipping is a concomitant factor to illegal trade waste services anyway?"

10. Comments and Questions on Part 1 Minutes of Cabinet, Committees, Sub-Committees and Panels under Rule 9

To receive any comments or questions submitted under Rule 9 on Part 1 Minutes of meetings of Cabinet, Committees, Sub-Committees or Panels as included in the Minutes Record circulated alongside this agenda.

11. Constitution Amendments

Report of the Monitoring Officer (Item 11.1 – 11.17).

12. New Pavement Licensing Scheme

Report of the Head of Economic Prosperity (Item 12.1 – 12.5).

13. Exclusion of the Public

The Chairman to move 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 Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act, 1972."

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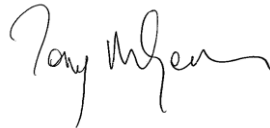
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PART 2

14. Comments and Questions on Part 2 Minutes of Cabinet, Committees, Sub-Committees and Panels under Rule 9

To receive any comments or questions submitted under Rule 9 on Part 2 Minutes of meetings of Cabinet, Committees, Sub-Committees or Panels as included in the Minutes Record circulated alongside this agenda.



T. McGovern,
Managing Director

28 July, 2020

GUIDANCE ON DECLARING PERSONAL, PECUNIARY AND DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

DEFINITION OF WHAT IS A PERSONAL, PECUNIARY AND DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

A PERSONAL INTEREST is one where your well-being or financial position, or those of a member of your family or any person with whom you have a close association would be affected to a greater extent than the majority of Council Tax payers, ratepayers, or inhabitants of the electoral ward(s) affected by the decision. You automatically have a personal interest if you have given notice in the Register of Members' Interests, e.g. if you are appointed to an outside body by the Council.

A PECUNIARY INTEREST is a personal interest where the matter

- a) affects your financial position or that of a member of your family or any person with whom you have a close association or a body in which you have registered in the Register of Members Interests or
- b) relates to the determining of any consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to you or any person with whom you have a close association or a body in which you have registered in the Register of Members Interests

and, in either case, where a member of the public knowing the facts would reasonably regard the interest as so significant it is likely to affect your judgement of the public interest

A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST is an interest of yourself or your partner (which means spouse or civil partner, a person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom you are living as if you are civil partners) in respect of employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried out for profit or gain; sponsorship; contracts; land; licences; corporate tenancies; or securities, as defined with the Localism Act, 2011.

PLEASE MAKE IT CLEAR WHETHER IT IS A PERSONAL, PECUNIARY OR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST.

It would be helpful if, prior to the commencement of the meeting, Members informed the Monitoring Officer 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 requires that personal interests where you have a personal interest in any business of the Council, and where you are aware or ought reasonably to be aware of the existence of the personal interest, and you attend a meeting of the Council at which the business is considered, you must disclose to that

meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent.

Some items will be mentioned in the papers for full Council but are not actually being considered by 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.