

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 11 FEBRUARY, 2015 AT 4.00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

Members are requested to bring to the meeting the agenda and reports circulated for the Cabinet meeting held on 29 January, 2015. The relevant Cabinet resolutions of that day, circulated as part of the Minutes of Cabinet, are attached as Appendices to this Agenda.

Copies are also available to view via the Members' Portal or the Council's website.

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 Council Meeting held on 14 January, 2015, Minute No's. 63 – 74 and 75 - 76; Page No's. 33 – 37 and 38 - 39.

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. Motion(s) Received under Rule 6

No Motions have been submitted in accordance with Rule 6.

7. Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget 2014-15 to 2017-18: Cabinet Resolutions

Council is requested to consider recommendations referred from Cabinet held on 29 January, 2015, in respect of the Housing Revenue Account Budget 2014-15 to 2017-18:

- (i) HRA Budgets 2014-15 to 2017-18
- (ii) HRA Capital Programmes 2015-16 to 2017-18

8. Budget Timetable – Procedural Issues

Joint Report of the Head of Finance and the Council Solicitor (Item 8.1 – 8.6).

9. Budget 2015-16 to 2017-18: Cabinet Resolutions

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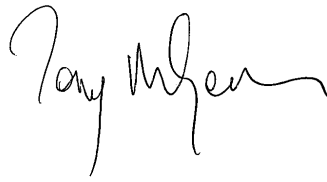
- (i) General Fund Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2015-16 to 2017-18
- (ii) Treasury Management Strategy, Minimum Revenue Provision Policy and Annual Investments Strategy, 2015-16

Members will note that the Council Tax Resolution and Budget Statement (Tables and supporting information) will be submitted to the 25 February, 2015 Council meeting following final agreement of the budget and receipt of all relevant Precepts.

In accordance with paragraph 2.3 of the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules, (see Agenda Item 8: Budget Timetable – Procedural Issues), consideration will also be given to any valid alternative proposals presented by Political Groups and individual Council Members as a referral back to Cabinet.

The Managing Director must be advised of the intent to submit alternative balanced budget proposals at least 5 working days before the Council meeting (i.e. by 4.00 pm on 3 February, 2015), and the Section 151 Officer has agreed to receive pre-advised proposals by no later than 5 February, 2015.

Any proposals received by the deadline will be circulated to Members prior to the meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. McGovern', with a stylized, cursive script.

T. McGovern,
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3 February, 2015

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.