



Cannock Chase Council

Council Meeting

Wednesday 15 December 2021 at 6:00pm

Meeting to be held in the Ballroom, Civic Centre, Cannock

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 Meeting held on 20 October 2021, Minute Nos. 41 – 51;
Page Nos. 29 – 35.
- 4. The Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence**

To receive any announcements and correspondence from the Chairman of the Council.
- 5. The Leader's Announcements and Correspondence**

To receive any announcements and correspondence from the Leader of the Council.
- 6. Questions Received under Council Procedure Rule 8**

None received.

7. Recommendations Referred from Cabinet, Committees etc.

Council is requested to consider recommendations from the Cabinet meetings held on 14 October and 11 November 2021, and the Audit & Governance Committee held on 6 December 2021, in respect of the following matters:

(i) Climate Emergency – Consultation and Community Engagement (Cabinet 14/10/21, Minute No. 48)

“That Council be recommended to set up stakeholder panels and undertake wider consultation and community engagement on the costed action plan within the approved £30,000 budget.

A copy of the accompanying report for the above recommendation can be viewed on the [14 October Cabinet](#) meeting page on the Council’s website.

(ii) 2020/21 Infrastructure Funding Statement (Cabinet 11/11/21, Minute No. 56)

“That Council be recommended to adopt and approve for publication on the Council’s website the annual Infrastructure Funding Statement for the financial year 2020/21, as included at Appendix 1 of the report.”

A copy of the accompanying report for the above recommendation can be viewed on the [11 November Cabinet](#) meeting page on the Council’s website.

(iii) Appointment of External Auditors (Audit & Governance Committee 06/12/21, Draft Minute No. 13)

“That Council be recommended to approve the opting-in to the national scheme for external auditor appointments from April 2023.”

A copy of the accompanying report for the above recommendation can be viewed on the [6 December Audit & Governance Committee](#) meeting page on the Council’s website.

8. Motions Received under Council Procedure Rule 6

(i) To consider the following Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 6 by Councillor J.A.A. Newbury, Environment and Climate Change Shadow Portfolio Leader:

This Council notes that:

- The first ever Chase Pride event is due to be held in Hednesford Park on Saturday 3rd September 2022 with additional associated events taking place throughout next year.
- For a number of years, we have supported the annual LGBT History Month every February, including the flying of the Rainbow Flag over the Civic Centre.
- Since 2016, the levels of hate crime experienced by the LGBT+ community in Cannock Chase have more than doubled.

This Council believes that:

- Chase Pride could provide significant benefits for our District, both in terms of the visibility of the LGBT+ community, as well as our local economy.

- Chase Pride could spearhead efforts to challenge stigma, stamp out hatred, educate the community on all things LGBT+ and create a safe place for people to be themselves without fear of prejudice.

This Council resolves to:

- Affirm its support for the first Chase Pride event in 2022.
- Work constructively with the trustees of Chase Pride to ensure the efficient organisation and smooth running of the festival.
- Request that Cabinet considers making a financial contribution to Chase Pride which could potentially take the form of:
 - Waived or reduced hire fees for Hednesford Park.
 - A portion of the proceeds from the planned funfair.
 - A direct grant towards the festival's running costs.

9. 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.

10. Gambling Act 2005 – Review of Statement of Principles

Report of the Head of Economic Prosperity (Item 10.1 – 10.35).

Part 2

11. 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 1 Minutes of meetings of Cabinet, Committees, Sub-Committees or Panels as included in the Minutes Record circulated alongside this agenda.



**T. Clegg
Chief Executive**

7 December 2021

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.