

**A MEETING OF THE
BOROUGH OF TELFORD & WREKIN**

**Will be held at REMOTE MEETING
on THURSDAY, 16 JULY 2020
at 5.00 pm**

**All Members are summoned to attend for the transaction
of the under mentioned business**



Associate Director: Policy & Governance

AGENDA

1. **Prayers and Reflections**
2. **Apologies for Absence**
3. **Declarations of Interest**
4. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (Pages 7 - 10)
To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. **Leader's Report & Announcements**
The Leader of the Council may give an oral report on matters of significance to the Borough, comment upon the Cabinet decisions or make any announcements.
6. **Mayor's Announcements** (Pages 11 - 14)
To note the Mayoral Engagements undertaken since the previous Council meeting.

QUESTIONS

7. **Public Questions**

To receive any questions from the public which have been submitted under Council Procedure Rules 7.11 and 7.12. The session will last no more than 15 minutes with a maximum of 2 minutes allowed for each question and answer. Questions can be asked of the Leader and Cabinet Members.

- (a) The following question to Cllr Carolyn Healy, Cabinet Member for Visitor Economy, Historic and Natural Environment, and Climate Change has been submitted by Dave Ashdown:

SCPF invests in fossil fuel companies, BP, Shell & Black Rock asset management. I am very worried about climate future and carbon levels. T&WC shares this fund so will T&WC call on SCPF to divest?

- (b) The following question to Cllr Carolyn Healy, Cabinet Member for Visitor Economy, Historic and Natural Environment, and Climate Change has been submitted by Kevin Bundy:

According to SCPF Annual Review, I am a stakeholder in the fund. This means my council tax is financing companies that drive climate crisis. Is TWC comfortable with council tax funding climate crisis after declaring a climate emergency? Is this a financially & ethically sound position?

8. **Cabinet Decisions Made Since the Last Meeting of the Council** (Pages 15 - 16)

To receive the report on the Cabinet decisions made since publication of the last Council meeting agenda. Cabinet Members may speak on these decisions and Members may ask questions about key decisions of the relevant Cabinet Member for the purposes of clarification only. Members are asked to note the additional delegations to officers granted at those meetings.

9. **Councillor Questions On Notice**

To answer questions received under Council Procedure Rule 6.2.

NB In accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 6.2.9 there will be a maximum of 30 minutes allowed for questions and answers. Any question not answered within the 30 minute time limit will receive a written reply within 5 working days.

DECISION-MAKING

10. **Stronger Communities**

(Pages 17 - 20)

11. **Recommendations from Cabinet**

CABINET - 18 JUNE 2020

11.1 **Service & Financial Planning Report 2019/20 Outturn**

(To Follow)

Recommended that

- (a) the Revenue outturn position for 2019/20 and related virements in Appendix 3 of the report which is subject to audit by the Council's external auditors be approved;
- (b) the transfers to reserves and associated approval to the relevant Assistant Directors to spend the reserves detailed in section 5 of the report be approved;
- (c) the Capital outturn position and related supplementary estimates, re-phasing and virements shown in Appendix 4 of the report and as summarised in the report be approved;
- (d) that delegated authority be granted to the Director: Finance & HR to make any changes required as the outturn is finalised (including the calculation of section 31 grants), in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Council Finance and Governance;
- (e) the performance against income targets be noted; and
- (f) the 2020/21 Public Health Grant be approved and the 2020/21 budget strategy be updated accordingly

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11.2 **2020/21 Financial Monitoring Report**
Recommended that:

(To Follow)

- a) Delegated authority be granted to the Director: Finance & HR, after consultation with the Cabinet Member for Council Finance & Governance, to make changes to the Service & Financial Planning Strategy to reflect Covid-19 grants received and any associated spend
- b) the changes to the capital programme in Appendix 3 of the report be approved.

12. **Recommendations from Boards and Committees**

Audit Committee - 14 July 2020

At its meeting held on 14 July 2020, the Audit Committee made the following recommendations to Council.

- 12.1 **Review of the Audit Committee Terms of Reference** (To Follow)
- Recommended that the amended Terms of Reference be adopted.**
- 12.2 **Corporate Anti-Fraud & Corruption Policy - 2017/18 Annual Report and Policy Update** (To Follow)
- Recommended that the updated Corporate Anti-Fraud & Corruption policy be adopted.**

DEBATE

13. **Notices of Motion**

- 13.1 **Councillor Stephen Bentley will propose the following Motion:-**
“This Council recognises the dedication and commitment of local NHS and Council staff during the current Covid Pandemic and also wishes to acknowledge and thank the many and varied selfless volunteers who have also given their time and support to our community in Telford & Wrekin”
- The Motion will be seconded by Councillor Nigel Dugmore.
- 13.2 **Councillor Tim Nelson will propose the following Motion:-**
“This Council resolves for all political groups to join together to develop a community “*Think Green Think Local*” strategy for the Borough.”
- The Motion will be seconded by Councillor Andrew Eade.
- 13.3 **Councillor Nigel Dugmore will propose the following Motion:-**
“This Council recognises the proposed overdevelopment and questionable site selection of the Labour Administration’s Local Development Plan and resolves to set up an all-party working group to ensure cross-party input and oversight during the current plan review.”
- The Motion will be seconded by Councillor Andrew Eade.

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PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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