

Borough of Telford and Wrekin

Full Council

Thursday 25 January 2024

6.00 pm

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- 1.0 Prayers and Reflections
- 2.0 Apologies for Absence
- 3.0 Declarations of Interest

4.0 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To confirm the minutes of the last meeting and special meeting of the Council.

5.0 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.

6.0 Mayor's Announcements

To note the Mayoral Engagements undertaken since the previous Council meeting.

7.0 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.

8.0 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.

9.0 Cabinet Decisions Made Since the Last Meeting of the Council

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.

10.0 Setting of Council Tax Base 2024/25

To receive the report setting the Council Tax Base 2024/25.

11.0	Councillor Leave of Absence	27 - 30
	To receive the Councillor Leave of Absence report.	

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12.0 Recommendations from Cabinet

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12.1 2023/24 Financial Monitoring Report

13.0 Motions on Notice

13.1 Councillor Andrew Eade will propose the following Motion:-

"This Council resolves to give a comprehensive briefing to representatives from each opposition group on progress implementing individual recommendations arising from Mr. Tom Crowther KC's CSE inquiry within the Borough to include our partner organisations The Police and NHS as previously requested."

The Motion will be seconded by Councillor Nigel Dugmore.

13.2 Councillor Shaun Davies will propose the following Motion:-

"This council has led the campaign to save Telford's A&E from the government closure plan and to move the consultant led Women and Children Unit to Shrewsbury.

Council notes:

The government closure plan will make Telford the largest town in England without a full A&E and make people in Telford, Wrekin and the East side of Shropshire travel further and longer for A&E care.

The recent independent expert panel said that the term 'A&E Local' should not be used to describe what will replace Telford's A&E as it risked undermining patient safety and understanding; A so called 'A&E local' would not provide a service where hospital admission for emergency treatment may be required.

This council calls on NHS leaders locally and nationally together with the government to depart from the use of 'A&E' Local and calls on those Members of Parliament who have used it to apologise for adopting the term when it could undermine the safety of patients in the Borough."

The Motion will be seconded by Councillor Paul Watling.

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