

AGENDA

Item No:

1. Procedure

(a) Apologies

(b) Minutes

To approve, and the Mayor to sign as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 16 February 2022 (Item 1) (**Pages 5 to 31**).

(c) Disclosure of Interests

Councillors to disclose any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business to be transacted and officers to disclose any interest in contracts to be considered by the Council.

(d) Announcements

To receive announcements, if any.

2. Public Involvement

(a) Petitions

Any petitions received by the deadline of 7:30 pm on Monday 7 March 2022 will be reported at the meeting.

(b) Questions from Members of the Public

To receive questions and provide answers to questions received from members of the public by the deadline of 7:30 pm on Monday 7 March 2022 and any urgent questions agreed by the Mayor.

3. Business Remaining from Last Meeting

None

4. Reports from Cabinet and Committees

The referrals are set out in full at (Item 4) (**Pages 32 to 104**).

(a) Licencing Committee – 9 February 2022

Consideration of Statement of Gambling Principles 2022/2025 (Gambling Act 2005)

(b) Joint Negotiating Committee Employers Side – 21 February 2022

Statement of Pay Policy (Financial Year 2022-23)

5. Councillors' Matters

(a) Councillors' Questions

Councillors to ask questions of the Leader, a Cabinet Member, the Chair of any Committee, or the Leader of a Political Group on the Council.

(b) Notices of Motions:

The motions are set out in full at (Item 5b) (**Pages 105 to 108**).

(i) Councillor K Bradburn – 18 February 2022

Recruitment of Foster Carers

(ii) Councillor Marland – 21 February 2022

The Cost of Living Crisis and the Right to Food

(iii) Councillor R Bradburn – 22 February 2022

Great British Rail Headquarters

6. Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990

To consider Item 6 (Pages 109 to 110).

7. Returning Officer's Fees 2021/22

To consider Item 7 (Pages 111 to 117)

8. Quarterly Report on Special Urgency Decisions

In accordance with Access to Information Procedure Rule 17.4, to note that the Provisions for Special Urgency, as set out in Access to Information Procedure Rule 16, which provides for key decisions to be taken within the usual 5-day notice period, subject to the agreement of the Chair/Vice-Chairs of the Scrutiny Management Committee, was not used during the period 1 January 2022 to 24 February 2022.

The Council is also advised that Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16(j), which provides for the call-in procedure to not apply with the agreement of the Chair and Vice-Chairs of the Scrutiny Management Committee, was not used during the period 1 January 2022 to 24 February 2022.

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Background Papers: None

9. Ward Based Budgets 2021/22

All Councillors have a budget of £1,000 to spend on Ward based issues, giving them the ability to make contributions to projects carried out in their local communities by local organisations. In addition to this, in order to support local responses to Covid-19, Councillors have been granted an additional £1,000 grant to dedicate specifically to projects recovering from the impacts of Covid-19 in 2021/22 only.

For the period 1 April 2021 to 24 February 2022, applications totalling £30,872.39 (Ward Based Budget) and £49,174.87 (Covid) have been approved. Details of the applications are attached at Item 9a (Pages 118 to 120) and Item 9b (Pages 121 to 129). A final update on applications will be provided at the meeting.

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Background Papers: None