



# Council

Mon 26 Feb  
2024

7.00 pm (or, if later, as  
soon as the Executive  
Committee meeting  
immediately preceding  
Council has finished)

Redditch Town Hall,  
Walter Stranz Square  
Redditch  
B98 8AH

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## **GUIDANCE ON FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS**

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[Link to live stream of the meeting](#)

If you have any questions regarding the agenda or attached papers, please do not hesitate to contact the officer named above.

### **GUIDANCE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS ATTENDING MEETINGS IN PERSON**

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### **Notes:**

Although this is a public meeting, there are circumstances when Council might have to move into closed session to consider exempt or confidential information. For agenda items that are exempt, the public are excluded and for any such items the live stream will be suspended and that part of the meeting will not be recorded.



# Council

Monday, 26th February, 2024

7.00 pm

Council Chamber, Redditch  
Town Hall, Walter Stranz  
Square, Redditch B98 8AH

## Agenda

### Membership:

Cllrs:

Salman Akbar  
(Mayor)  
Karen Ashley  
(Deputy Mayor)  
Imran Altaf  
Joe Baker  
Juliet Barker Smith  
Joanne Beecham  
Juma Begum  
Brandon Clayton  
Luke Court  
Matthew Dormer  
James Fardoe  
Peter Fleming  
Alex Fogg  
Andrew Fry  
Lucy Harrison

Bill Hartnett  
Sharon Harvey  
Chris Holz  
Joanna Kane  
Sid Khan  
Anthony Lovell  
Emma Marshall  
Kerrie Miles  
Gemma Monaco  
Timothy Pearman  
Jane Spilsbury  
Monica Stringfellow  
Craig Warhurst  
Ian Woodall

- 1. Welcome**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Declarations of Interest**

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

- 4. Minutes (Pages 7 - 24)**
- 5. Announcements**

To consider Announcements under Procedure Rule 10:

- Mayor's Announcements
- The Leader's Announcements
- Chief Executive's Announcements.

## 6. Executive Committee

### Minutes from the Executive Committee meeting held on 6th February 2024

- 6 .1 Carbon Reduction Strategy - annual review' (Pages 47 - 88)
- 6 .2 Non-Domestic Rates - Discretionary Rate Relief Policy (Pages 89 - 114)
- 6 .3 Pay Policy 2024/25 (Pages 115 - 124)
- 6 .4 Medium Term Financial Plan (including Treasury Management Strategy, Capital Strategy, Minimum Revenue Provision and Investment Strategy) (Tranche 2) (Pages 125 - 204)

Note that under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, the Council is required to take a named vote when a decision is made on the budget calculation at a budget decision meeting of the Council.

#### 6.4.1 Alternative Budget (to Follow)

Note that under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, the Council is required to take a named vote when a decision is made on the budget calculation, including in respect of any alternative budgets that are proposed, at a budget decision meeting of the Council.

#### 6 .5 Parking Enforcement Service Level Agreement (Pages 205 - 212)

NOTE: the exempt appendix (Appendix 1) attached for this report has only been made available to Members and relevant Officers. Should Members wish to discuss Appendix 1 in any detail, a decision will be required to exclude the public and press from the meeting on the grounds that exempt information is likely to be divulged, as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12 (a) of Section 100 1 of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

(Paragraph 3: Subject to the "public interest" test, information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).)

## **6 .6 Termination of Shared Service Arrangement: North Worcestershire Economic Development and Regeneration (Pages 213 - 222)**

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(Paragraph 3: Subject to the “public interest” test, information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).)

(Paragraph 4: Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority and employees of, or office holders under the authority).)

## **Recommendations from the meeting of the Executive Committee due to take place on 26th February 2024**

### **6 .7 Council Tax Resolutions 2024/25 (to follow)**

Under Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, any Councillor who is 2 or more months in arrears with their Council tax payments cannot participate in any item at the Council meeting concerning the budget.

Note that under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, the Council is required to take a named vote when a decision is made on Council tax at a budget decision meeting of the Council.

## **7. Urgent Business - Record of Decisions**

To note any decisions taken in accordance with the Council's Urgency Procedure Rules (Part 9, Paragraph 5 and/or Part 10, Paragraph 15 of the Constitution), as specified.

(None to date).

## **8. Urgent Business - general** (if any)

To consider any additional items exceptionally agreed by the Mayor as Urgent Business in accordance with the powers vested in him by virtue of Section 100(B)(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

(This power should be exercised only in cases where there are genuinely special circumstances which require consideration of an item which has not previously been published on the Order of Business for the meeting.)