



# Council

Mon 25 Sep  
2023  
7.00 pm

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

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

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## 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 - 20)

- 5. Announcements**

To consider Announcements under Procedure Rule 10:

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

- 6. Questions on Notice** (Procedure Rule 9) (Pages 21 - 22)

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## 7. Motions on Notice (Procedure Rule 11) (Pages 23 - 24)

## 8. Constitution Review (Pages 25 - 44)

## 9. Committee Membership

To consider changes to the Labour Group's membership of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee.

## 10. Outside Body Appointments - To Follow

## 11. Executive Committee

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 25th July 2023 (Pages 45 – 62)

### 11 .1 Worcestershire Housing Strategy 2040 (Pages 63 - 68)

Due to the length of this report, only the covering report has been included in the main agenda for this meeting. The full report can be found in a supplementary pack for this meeting.

### 11 .2 Approvals to Spend (Pages 69 - 82)

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### 11 .3 Draft Treasury Management Outturn Report 2022/23 (Pages 83 - 98)

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 12th September 2023 (Pages 99 – 124)

NOTE: Minute Items No. 34 and 35 – Disposal of a Long Lease Interest at 18 – 19 Woodfield Close, Abbeydale, Redditch and Housing Development Proposal – Loxley Close, Church Hill - in the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 have only been made available to Members and relevant Officers. Should Members wish to discuss these minutes 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).)

**11 .4 Future of Brick Arched Former Railway Bridge, Green Lane, Studley**  
(Pages 125 - 136)

**11 .5 Disposal of Long Leasehold Interest at Woodfield Close, Abbeydale, Redditch** (Pages 137 - 146)

NOTE: Appendix 3 to this report has only been made available to Members and relevant Officers. Should Members wish to discuss the Appendix 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).)

**11 .6 Housing development proposal - Loxley Close, Church Hill** (Pages 147 - 158)

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**11 .7 Town Hall Refurbishment - Final Decision** (Pages 159 - 170)

NOTE: Appendices E - G to this report have only been made available to Members and relevant Officers. Should Members wish to discuss these appendices 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).)

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**11 .8 Finance and Performance Monitoring Report - Quarter 1 2023/24**  
(Pages 171 - 182)

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Paragraph 4: information relating to consultations and negotiations, or contemplated consultations and negotiations, in relation to Labour relations matters arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.)

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**12. Urgent Business - Record of Decisions** (Pages 183 - 184)

There has been one urgent decision taken since the last Council meeting in respect of the appointment of an Acting Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service, following the retirement of the previous Chief Executive.

(Urgent Decision attached)

**13. 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.)