



Walsall Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Walsall to be held on **MONDAY the 25TH day of APRIL 2022 at 6.00 p.m.** at the Council House, Walsall.

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Dated this 13th day of April, 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive.

The business to be transacted is as follows:

1. To elect a person to preside if the Mayor and Deputy Mayor are not present.
2. Apologies.
3. To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 24th February, 2022 (**pages 4 to 17**)
4. Declarations of interest.
5. **Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended):**
To agree that the public be excluded from the private session during consideration of the agenda items indicated for the reasons shown on the agenda.
6. Mayor's announcements.
7. To receive any petitions

8. To answer any questions in accordance with Council procedure rules:
 - (a) From the public: None.
 - (b) From members of the Council: None.
9. Corporate Parenting Board Annual Report – Copy Enclosed (**Pages 18 to 33**)
10. **Portfolio holder briefings.** To receive a 5 minute presentation from the following portfolios:
 - (a) Health and Wellbeing - Councillor Craddock (**pages 34 to 41**)
 - (b) Deputy Leader and Resilient Communities - Councillor Perry (**pages 42 to 73**)

(Note: A member of the Council may ask the portfolio holder any question and another associated question without notice upon each report. Questioning by members is limited to 10 minutes for each report presented.)

11. To consider the following motion, notice of which has been duly given by **Councillor Nawaz and Councillor Hussain.**

The Black Country Plan (BCP) has created a lot of concern amongst our communities across the borough. The Green Belt is highly valued by our residents and is an asset for future generations.

There are several sites at risk of development including Home Farm, Sandhills; Land at Yorks Bridge, Pelsall and Yieldsfield Farm, Bloxwich. Another site is the Arboretum Park in Walsall and surrounding greenbelt such as Calderfields Farm, Aldridge Road which is enjoyed by many residents both from within Walsall and further afield. It is a highly valued, aesthetically pleasing and bio-diverse green space adding to the openness and enjoyment of the Arboretum by Walsall residents.

This Council notes that:-

- the BCP will identify and allocate sufficient land for development for the areas housing and employment needs for the next 15 years; and
- Dudley Council recently removed 2 sites from the BCP.

This Council:-

- Urges Cabinet to review any proposed Walsall Green Belt land including Calderfields Farm, Aldridge Road; Yorks Bridge, Pelsall and other sites currently included in the BCP, and brings a report to Full Council, before the final consultation ends, with proposals as to what, if any, Walsall Green Belt land should be included in the plan.

At this point the Council to consider the following item as charitable trustees *When the Council is acting in this capacity, Council procedure rules do not apply. A corporate trustee is a corporation which has been appointed to act as a trustee of the charity. Trustees should bear in mind that when they are dealing with the business of the charity, their overriding duty is to act in the best interests of that charity.*

12. Annual report of Barr Beacon Trust Management Committee. Report reproduced in the reports booklet for this meeting **(pages 74 – 78).**