

## Council – 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022

### Decision note

Item	Decision
1. Person to preside if Mayor and Deputy Mayor are absent	Not applicable as the Mayor was in attendance
2. Apologies	Councillors Chattha, James, Jeavons and Johal.
3. Minutes	That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022, copies having been sent to each member of the Council, be approved as a correct record
4. Declarations of interest	None.
5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act	There were no items in private session.
6. Mayor's announcements	Received.
7. Petitions	Councillor Nawaz – Traffic Issues, The Butts
8. Questions	None.
9. Corporate Parenting Board Annual Report	Noted.
10(a) Portfolio holder briefing – Health and Wellbeing	The Portfolio Holder (Health and Wellbeing) gave a presentation and answered questions from members thereon.
10(b) Portfolio holder briefing – Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Resilient Communities	The Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Resilient Communities gave a presentation and answered questions from members thereon.
11. Notice of Motion – Black Country Plan	<p>Amended notice of motion approved:-</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p>

	<p>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.</p> <p>This Council notes that:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the BCP will identify and allocate sufficient land for development for the areas housing and employment needs for the next 15 years; and</li> <li>• Dudley Council recently removed 2 sites from the BCP.</li> </ul> <p>That this Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• is currently following a statutory process, and in accordance with that due process Cabinet and Full Council will have a full opportunity to consider in detail any proposals as regards to allocation of land for housing, and that this Council values residents' views and will seek to ensure that their views are taken into account as part of that process.</li> </ul>
<p>12. Annual Report of Barr Beacon Trust Management Committee. <i>(Council considered this item as charitable trustees).</i></p>	<p>Received.</p>