



Walsall Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Walsall to be held on **THURSDAY the 21ST day of JULY, 2016 at 6.00 p.m.** at the Council House, Walsall.

Dated this 13th day of July, 2016.

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 correct records and sign the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 23rd May and 2nd June 2016.
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:

Councillor A. Ditta – Education Section 106 register

“Can the portfolio holder tell me why the S106 money from the Heston and Granby development, allocated for secondary education and which was on the education S106 register in March 2015, has still not been allocated. What is the delay and what will it be spent on?”

9. To confirm the following recommendation of **Cabinet**:

Corporate Plan

That the Corporate Plan 2016-2020 “Reducing Inequalities, Maximising potential” be approved.

(Note: Report to Cabinet on 15th June 2016 reproduced in the reports booklet for this meeting.)

10. To confirm the following recommendation of **Audit Committee**:

Treasury Management Annual Report 2015/16

That the Treasury Management Annual Report for 2015/16 (Appendix A) be approved.

(Note: Report to Audit Committee on 27th June 2016 reproduced in the reports booklet for this meeting.)

11. To confirm the following recommendation of **North Walsall Area Panel** from its meeting on 5th July 2016:

Co-opted member

That Mr. Pat Dean be appointed a co-opted member of the North Walsall Area Panel for the remainder of the 2016/17 municipal year.

12. **Annual report of Audit Committee 2015/16.** Report to Audit Committee on 27th June 2016 reproduced in the reports booklet for this meeting.

13. **Portfolio holder briefings.** To receive a 5 minute presentation from the Leader of the Council.

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

14. **Community Cohesion Strategy.** To consider approving the recommendations of the Community Cohesion Working Group. Report reproduced in the reports booklet for this meeting.

15. **Visionary Investment Enhancing Walsall Ltd. (VIEW Board) – Appointment of representatives.** Report reproduced in the reports booklet for this meeting.

16. **Visionary Investment Enhancing Walsall Ltd. (VIEW Board) – Appointment of an independent member.** Report reproduced in the reports booklet for this meeting.

17. **Membership of Committees:**

(a) **Personnel Committee:** To note that the Personnel Committee appointed Councillor S. Coughlan and Councillor Nawaz as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively for the municipal year 2016/17.

(b) **Overview and Scrutiny Committees:** To note the following Labour Group nominations to Overview and Scrutiny Committees following Annual Council:

Scrutiny Overview – Councillor Chambers
Education and Children’s Services – Councillor Ward
Corporate and Public Services – Councillor A. Nazir
Social Care and Health – Councillor Worrall

18. **Appointment of Charity trustees**

(a) **Roger Hinton Charity:** To nominate a trustee for the municipal year 2016/17.

- (b) **Walsall Wood Allotment Charity:** The term of office of Councillor Bird expires on 21st September 2016. To appoint a trustee for a period of 4 years expiring on 21st September 2020.
- (c) **W.J. Croft Charity:** The term of office of Councillor Nawaz expires on 25th July 2016. To appoint a trustee for a period of 4 years expiring on 25th July 2020.
- (d) **School Holiday Camp Fund of Walsall:** The term of office of Councillors Clews and Jeavons expires on 25th August 2016. To appoint two trustees for a period of 4 years expiring on 25th August 2020.

19. To consider the following motion, notice of which has been duly given by **Councillor Nawaz:**

"We are proud to live in a diverse, tolerant, multicultural and multi faith borough. Racism, xenophobia, homophobia, islamophobia and anti-semitism have no place in our town or in society in general. This Council condemns hate crimes unequivocally and condemns all types of hate. We will not allow hate and the intimidation of minorities to become acceptable in our borough.

Walsall Council recognises the positive contribution made to all aspects of life in our borough by immigrant communities - established and new - and will work to ensure local bodies and programmes have the support and the resources needed to help, together in partnership with these communities, to fight and prevent racism, xenophobia, islamophobia, homophobia, anti-semitism and all forms of hate.

This Council reassures all people living in Walsall, from whichever nation, ethnicity, faith background, sexuality, culture and disability group that they are from that they are welcomed here and are valued members of our community and our Town. "