



## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 9th MARCH 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillor R Claymore (Mayor), Councillors M Oates, M Bailey, D Box, P Brindley, R Bilcliff, T Clements, D Cook, M Cook, C Cooke, S Doyle, A Farrell, J Faulkner, R Ford, S Goodall, M J Greatorex, T Jay, R Kingstone, K Norchi, J Oates, S Peale, Dr S Peale, R Pritchard, S Pritchard, R Rogers, P Standen and M Summers

The following officers were present: Andrew Barratt (Chief Executive), Anica Goodwin (Executive Director Organisation), Rebecca Neill (Head of Audit & Governance and Monitoring Officer), John Day (Knowledge, Performance and Insight Co-ordinator), Jo Hutchison (Democratic Services, Scrutiny and Elections Officer), Tracey Pointon (Legal Admin & Democratic Services Manager) and Adam Deakin (Technical Infrastructure Engineer)

### **49 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors John Chesworth, Ben Price and Peter Thurgood

### **50 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

### **51 TO RECEIVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, LEADER, MEMBERS OF THE CABINET OR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

None

### **52 STATE OF TAMWORTH DEBATE**

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Jeremy Oates moved the following **motion without notice under Rule 4.13(n)**,

To suspend rules: 4.14.4 (content and length of speeches),

4.14.5 (when a member may speak again)

4.14.14 (single issue debate)

And for the duration of the March 2021 State of the Borough Debate Members will:

- a) be able to make a maximum of 2 speeches each and
- b) speak for a maximum of 5 minutes per speech

*(Moved by Councillor J Oates and seconded by Councillor C Cooke)*

The Leader of the Council presented his report. The report focussed on the impact of the pandemic on Tamworth and how we recover from this going forward.

**Motions without notice rule 4.13**

**Interruption of the meeting rule 4.9.1**

RESOLVED That;

The meeting be continued past 8.30pm

*(Moved by Councillor P Standen and seconded by Councillor C Cooke)*

Following the debate the Leader thanked officers for help with compiling the report, thanked the technical team for use of videos during the meeting and thanked all Councillors for their input in the Debate and asked Democratic Services Officers to produce a summary of the points raised and refer to Scrutiny for consideration for work plans going forward and share with all members.

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The Mayor