

# NON-CONFIDENTIAL



## **Borough of Tamworth**

10 July 2023

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a **meeting of the Council of this Borough** to be held on **TUESDAY, 18TH JULY, 2023** at 6.10 pm in the **TOWN HALL, MARKET STREET, TAMWORTH**, for the transaction of the following business:-

### **AGENDA**

#### **NON CONFIDENTIAL**

**1 Apologies for Absence**

**2 Declarations of Interest**

*To receive any declarations of Members' interests (pecuniary and non-pecuniary) in any matters which are to be considered at this meeting.*

*When Members are declaring a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in respect of which they have dispensation, they should specify the nature of such interest. Members should leave the room if they have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in respect of which they do not have a dispensation.*

**3 To receive any announcements from the Mayor, Leader, Members of the Cabinet or the Chief Executive**

**4 Question Time:**

(i) To answer questions from members of the public pursuant to Procedure Rule No. 10.

(ii) To answer questions from members of the Council pursuant to Procedure Rule No. 11

**5 Revised committee allocation due to the change in political balance**

(Details to follow)

- 6 Outside Bodies Membership - 2023-24** (Pages 5 - 10)
- 7 Petition - To see a fully functional Council front desk service returned to Tamworth town centre.** (Pages 11 - 12)
- 8 Petition - Securing of Dosthil Park** (Pages 13 - 14)
- 9 Exclusion of the Press and Public**

To consider excluding the Press and Public from the meeting by passing the following resolution:-

*“That in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meeting and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, and Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information to the public”*

At the time this agenda is published no representations have been received that this part of the meeting should be open to the public.

- 10 Gungate Project Mobilisation Report (To Follow)**  
*(Leader of the Council)*
- 11 Appointment of Section 151 Officer** (Pages 15 - 18)  
*(Leader of the Council)*
- 12 Anker Valley Sports and Community Comple 3G** (Pages 19 - 164)  
*(Portfolio Holder for Entertainment and Leisure)*

Yours faithfully



**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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## **Access arrangements**

*If you have any particular access requirements when attending the meeting, please contact Democratic Services on 01827 709267 or e-mail [democratic-services@tamworth.gov.uk](mailto:democratic-services@tamworth.gov.uk). We can then endeavour to ensure that any particular requirements you may have are catered for.*

## **Filming of Meetings**

*The public part of this meeting may be filmed and broadcast. Please refer to the Council's Protocol on Filming, Videoing, Photography and Audio Recording at Council meetings which can be found [here](#) for further information.*

*If a member of the public is particularly concerned about being filmed, please contact a member of Democratic Services before selecting a seat.*

## **FAQs**

*For further information about the Council's Committee arrangements please see the FAQ page [here](#)*

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Outside Body	Appointees
Citizens Advice Mid Mercia Management Committee	Councillor T Jay Councillor D Maycock Councillor C Dean
Dorcas Management Committee	Councillor J Oates (Substitute Councillor M Bailey)
Civil Emergency Committee	The Mayor – Councillor J Harper Leader of the Council – Councillor P Turner Leader of Opposition – Councillor C Dean
High Rise Social Club	Councillor P Thurgood Councillor S Daniels
Local Government Association – General Assembly	Councillor P Turner (Substitute Councillor T Jay)
St. Peters Church Management Committee	Councillor J Wade Councillor S Doyle Councillor J Wadrup
Staffordshire County Council Health & Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Councillor C Bain

Staffordshire Planning Forum	Portfolio Councillor S Smith (Substitute Councillor P Turner)
Staffordshire Pension Fund Governance – Pensions Consultative Forum (Staffordshire Pension Fund - Pensions consultative forum (staffspf.org.uk))	Portfolio Councillor T Jay
Support Staffordshire	Councillor S Daniels Councillor M Summers Councillor D Maycock
Tamworth Cornerstone Housing Association	Councillor J Wadrup Councillor C Dean
Tamworth Municipal Charities	The Mayor Deputy Mayor Councillor - T Clements

Tamworth Strategic Partnership	Councillor P Turner
Tamworth Twinning Association	Councillor T Clements
Staffordshire Joint Waste Management Board	Councillor T Jay
GBS LEP	Councillor S Daniels
Sons of Rest	Councillor John Harper Substitute Councillor D Maycock
Friends of Wigginton Park	Councillor Andrew Cooper Councillor Robert Pritchard
Building Control Shared Service Board	Portfolio Councillor S Smith
Health & Safety Shared Service Board	Councillor J Wadrup

Waste Management Shared Service Board	Leader Councillor P Turner Portfolio Councillor T Jay
Tamworth Heritage Trust	Councillor D Maycock Councillor John Harper
Destination Tamworth	Councillor A Cooper Substitute P Thompson
Staffordshire Police and Crime Commissioner Panel.	Councillor D Maycock Councillor T Clements
Rawlett Trust	Councillor S Smith
West Midlands Combined Authority Board (WMCA)	Councillor P Turner (Substitute Councillor T Jay)
West Midlands Combined Authority Scrutiny Panel (WMCA)	Councillor C Bain
West Midlands Combined Authority Audit Risk & Assurance Committee	Not required this year
West Midlands Combined Authority – Housing & Land Delivery Board	Councillor P Turner



Corporate Parenting Panel (Staffordshire)	Councillor R Claymore
Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership – Joint Scrutiny Membership	Councillor Dan Maycock
Stoke –on-Trent & Staffordshire Local Enterprise Partnership	Councillor P Turner
Stoke –on-Trent & Staffordshire Local Enterprise Partnership Scrutiny Panel	Councillor J Jones
A5 Partnership	Councillor A Cooper

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## Council

18<sup>th</sup> July 2023

### Council Front Desk

The following petition has been received by Tamworth Borough Council, from petition organiser, Mr Richard Kingstone:

To see a fully functional Council front desk service returned to Tamworth town centre.

#### **Justification**

When Covid hit, Tamworth Borough Council closed its customer service desk to all visitors. As the restrictions forced upon us by the pandemic eased, the ability for residents to access council services and advice in person did not return. The reason given being that to make operational savings, the home of council (Marmion House) should be sold and a new facility be provided.

Several years on this has not materialised.

Assurances have been made that residents can access a face to face service at the Assembly Rooms. This is woefully impractical and does not allow residents to get support and advice when needed.

Access to planning applications, confidential conversations and much more are no longer provided.

Those who are most vulnerable, disabled, do not have access or the skills to use the Internet, or simply want to discuss an issue in person are being disadvantaged.

This is not right.

We are asking the Leader of Tamworth Borough Council and it's members to return to some sort of fully functional front desk service that allows residents to access council services and to do this immediately.

We acknowledge that Marmion House needs to be sold off as quickly as possible but feel there are more than enough properties available within the town centre to restore these vital services immediately.

Details of the Petition can be found on Change.org on the following link:

[https://www.change.org/p/to-see-a-fully-functional-council-front-desk-service-returned-to-tamworth-town-centre?source\\_location=search](https://www.change.org/p/to-see-a-fully-functional-council-front-desk-service-returned-to-tamworth-town-centre?source_location=search)

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18<sup>th</sup> July 2023

### Securing of Dosthill Park

The following petition has been received by Tamworth Borough Council, from petition organiser, Ms R Griffiths of Tamworth. The petition will be presented on behalf of Ms Griffiths by Councillor J Oates, Ward Councillor.

We the undersigned petition the council to Secure Dosthill Park so that travellers cannot gain entrance onto the park. Some work has been done to make a dirt mound around the perimeter but it isn't big enough and due to weather and people cycling over it the dirt isn't holding so isn't robust enough. It needs a lot more dirt.

#### **Justification:**

The petition was set up after the illegal encampment by travellers on Dosthill Park last summer. It was the second time in 2 years. They are able to gain entry either cutting locks or digging up bollards. They cause a lot of mess and disruption. Locals are unable to use the park and they forced shops to close due to criminal and threatening behaviour.

It is terrible how people who live and work in Dosthill and surrounding areas have to put up with it. Shops have had to lose money and stock and residents can't use the local park when they are there. The council and police took far too long to sort out the problem and it has been no deterrent for the travellers as it seems no one wanted to deal with the problem.

The petition has 1,256 signatures

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