



PLEASE NOTE THAT PRAYERS WILL BE HELD AT 6.50PM BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL.

THE MAYOR REQUESTS THAT ANY MEMBER WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN PRAYERS BE IN ATTENDANCE IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER BY NO LATER THAN 6.45PM.

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Borough Council of Newcastle-under-Lyme to be held in the ***Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Merrial Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 2AG*** on ***Wednesday, 25th February, 2015*** at ***7.00 pm***.

B U S I N E S S

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Interest**
- 3 MINUTES** **(Pages 7 - 14)**
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meetings.
- 4 Mayor's Announcements**
- 5 REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS AND COUNCIL TAX 2015/2016** **(Pages 15 - 46)**
Please note that in accordance with The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, a recorded vote will be taken for this agenda item.
- 6 Treasury Management Strategy 2015/2016** **(Pages 47 - 68)**
- 7 Capital Strategy 2015** **(Pages 69 - 108)**
- 8 Pay Policy Statement 2015** **(Pages 109 - 124)**
- 9 Scheme of Delegation in Relation to Planning Functions** **(Pages 125 - 138)**
- 10 Review of the Council's Constitution** **(Pages 139 - 192)**
- 11 STATEMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL** **(Pages 193 - 196)**
To receive a statement by the Leader of the Council on the activities and decisions of Cabinet and items included on the Forward Plan.

12 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

Chairs are requested to submit written reports to the Democratic Services Manager at least 2 days before the meeting.

- a) Finance, Resources and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
- b) Active and Cohesive Communities Scrutiny Committee
- c) Cleaner, Greener and Safer Communities Scrutiny Committee
- d) Economic Development and Enterprise Scrutiny Committee
- e) Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

13 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE REGULATORY COMMITTEES

Chairs are requested to submit written reports to the Democratic Services Manager at least two days before meeting.

- a) Audit and Risk Committee
- b) Planning Committee
- c) Licensing Committee
- d) Public Protection Committee

14 QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR, CABINET MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS (Pages 197 - 198)

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11, questions must be submitted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Any questions considered urgent will only be accepted with the agreement of the Mayor prior to the meeting

15 Motions of Members

16 RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND UPDATE ON PREVIOUS PETITION SUBMITTED (Pages 199 - 200)

To receive from Members any petitions which they wish to present to the Council pursuant to Standing Order 17.

17 STANDING ORDER 18 - URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any communications which pursuant to Standing Order No18 are, in the opinion of the Mayor, of an urgent nature and to pass thereon such resolutions as may be deemed necessary.

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive

NOTICE FOR COUNCILLORS

1. Fire/Bomb Alerts

In the event of the fire alarm sounding, leave the building immediately, following the fire exit signs. Do not stop to collect personal belongings, do not use the lifts.

Fire exits are to be found either side of the rear of the Council Chamber and at the rear of the Public Gallery.

On exiting the building Members, Officers and the Public must assemble at the car park at the rear of the Aspire Housing Office opposite to the Civic Offices. DO NOT re-enter the building until advised to by the Controlling Officer.

2. Attendance Record

Please sign the Attendance Record sheet, which will be circulating around the Council Chamber. Please ensure that the sheet is signed before leaving the meeting.

3. Mobile Phones

Please switch off all mobile phones before entering the Council Chamber.

4. Tea/Coffee

Refreshments will be available at the conclusion of the meeting, or in the event of a break occurring, during that break.

5. Notice of Motion

A Notice of Motion other than those listed in Standing Order 19 must reach the Chief Executive ten clear days before the relevant Meeting of the Council. Further information on Notices of Motion can be found in Section 5, Standing Order 20 of the Constitution of the Council.

