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

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

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, 13th July, 2016** at **7.00 pm**.

BUSINESS

- a Reports of the Chairs of Scrutiny Committees (Pages 5 - 6)
- a Notice of Motion (Pages 7 - 8)

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive

NOTICE FOR COUNCILLORS

1. Fire/Bomb Alerts

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3. Mobile Phones

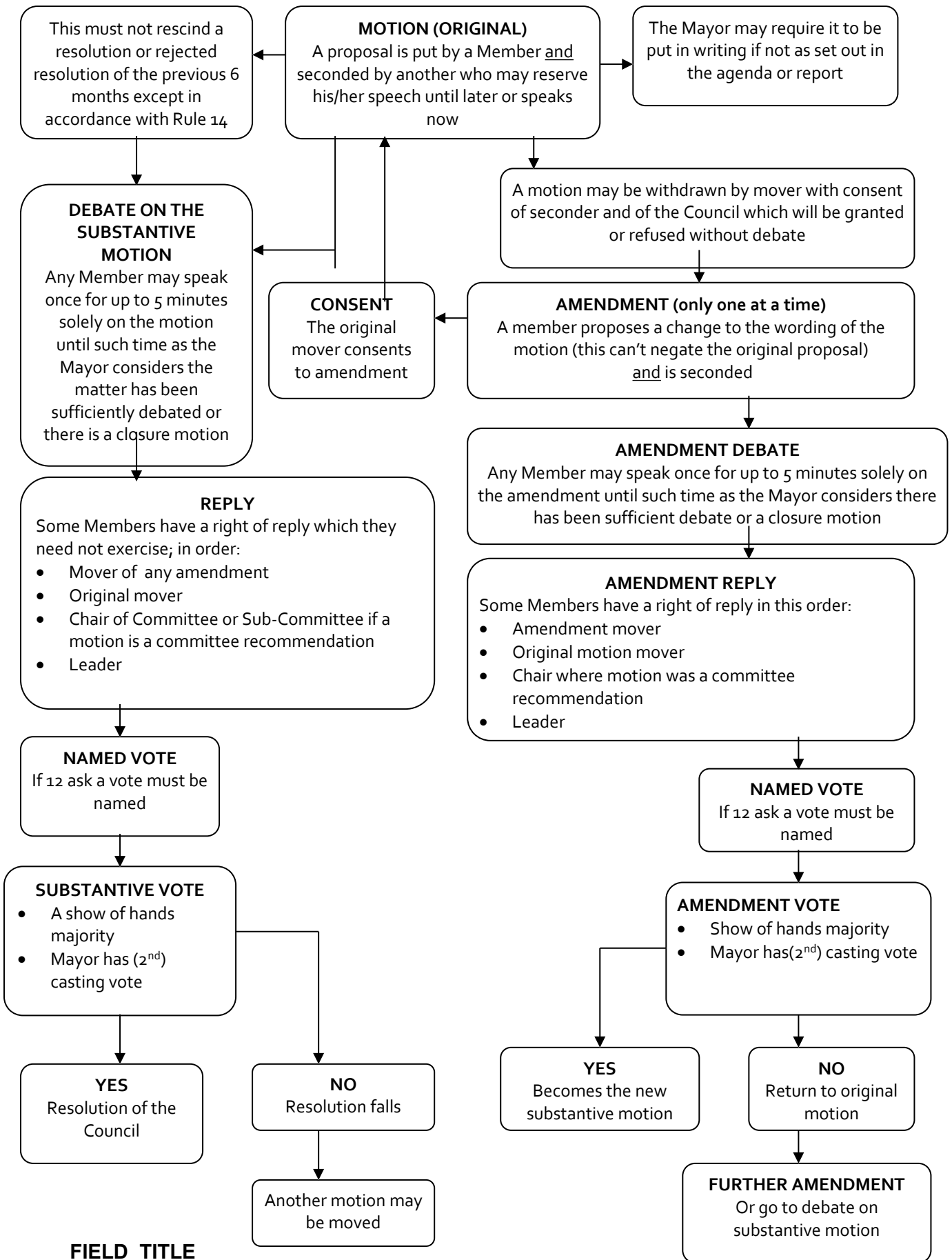
Please switch off all mobile phones before entering the Council Chamber.

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.



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Report from Chair of Economic Development and Regeneration Committee meeting

22nd June 2016

The main aim of the meeting was to establish the work plan for the coming year. Prior to this agenda item the Chair introduced herself and spoke of how the scrutiny committee's aim was to be pro-active and to drive forward improvements by proper scrutiny and recommendations. All committee members also introduced themselves and stated areas of expertise relevant to the committee's focus.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed, with one amendment being made to Item 3 referring to disappointing take up of training by market stall holders but that 18 entries in relation to Business Boost 2015 were received and 13 went through to the final round.

Items placed on the work plan are as follows:

- Review of LEP funding: members received an outline explanation from the Regeneration and Economic Development Manager regarding the application for LEP funding. The advantages of Growth Deal 3 funding was stressed and that funding is often awarded when there was strong local government support for an application. The Chair encouraged members to lobby relevant decision makers prior to the decision deadline of 28 July, emphasising the importance of the collective voice.
- Business Support Helpline Review: Uptake has been low compared to other areas. Officers will provide a performance report for presentation to the committee's September meeting. The chair asked for a member of the committee to be a point of contact within their area of expertise to have input prior to consideration (member to be confirmed). Following review of this report further investigation will then occur to suggest ways to move forward.
- Optimising the economic benefits of HS2: The HS2 group will be reformed and developed in line with economic strategy and to receive and review research commissioned for the Northern Gateway Development Zone. Councillors Gardner, Loades and Proctor volunteered to members of the working group. The committee will receive regular briefings on this topic.
- Review of impact on highways of planning developments: a working group has been established to review the issue of the wider impact on highways of planning developments and the A34 traffic policy and will report back to the Scrutiny Committee. Councillors Gardner, Loades and Proctor volunteered to members of the working group
- Review of Borough market performance: Councillor G Williams will examine the reasons for the current under-performance of the Borough market with the Cabinet Portfolio holder and officers.
- Kidsgrove Town Centre Partnership: a half-yearly report will be submitted to the committee for consideration and possible future involvement if required.

Additional areas discussed:

The Community Infrastructure Levy is scheduled to be discussed by Cabinet in October. Item concerning Superfast Broadband was removed for consideration for this year. It was noted that

planning application for the Ryecroft development is being considered in August. The number of CCGs and impact of housing development on existing CCGs was discussed and was suggested as a possible topic for joint scrutiny with the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee.

Allison Gardner

Chair of Economic Development and Regeneration Committee

**Council 13 July 2016
Agenda Item 13**

AMENDMENT

The Council notes that the people of the Borough voted by a large majority of 43,457 (63%) to 25,477 (37%), that the United Kingdom should leave the European Union.

This Council respects the democratic decision of the people of Newcastle and will focus on serving all residents during the current period of national uncertainty.

The Council is extremely concerned about the worst rise on record of reports of hate crime to the police nationally since the referendum result. Our council condemns racism, xenophobia and hate crimes unequivocally and will ensure that steps are taken to tackle such behaviour. We are sure that the vast majority of Newcastle residents, however they voted in the referendum, share our concern about any increase in hate crimes.

The Council calls upon the government to replace any funding lost from the Borough as a result of leaving the EU, and in particular, (in the light of the severe shortfall of funds for our local hospital) that extra funding promised by the leave campaign for the NHS be honoured.

The council resolves that the Chief Executive writes to all MPs representing this Borough to enlist their support in ensuring that all residents of the Borough are protected and supported during the process of leaving the EU, when that process is finally enacted by the current Government.

Amendment proposed by Cllr Shenton
Amendment seconded by Cllr Reddish

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