



**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 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 **Queen Elizabeth II & Astley Rooms - Castle House, Barracks Road, Newcastle, Staffs. ST5 1BL** on **Wednesday, 26th July, 2023** at **7.00 pm**.

## **B U S I N E S S**

**1 APOLOGIES**

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive declarations of interest from Members on items contained within this agenda.

**3 MINUTES OF A PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 5 - 14)**

To consider the decisions of the previous meeting(s)

**4 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**5 APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM MONITORING OFFICER (Pages 15 - 18)**

**6 RECEIPT OF A PETITION SUBMITTED UNDER THE COUNCIL'S PETITION SCHEME (Pages 19 - 26)**

To consider an e-petition, containing more than 1500 signatures, submitted to the Council regarding the emerging Borough Local Plan.

**7 CORPORATE PEER CHALLENGE OUTCOME AND ACTION PLAN (Pages 27 - 56)**

**8 CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (Pages 57 - 64)**

**9 STATEMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (To Follow)**

To receive a statement by the Leader of the Council on the activities and decisions of Cabinet and items included on the Forward Plan.

**10 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (Pages 65 - 66)**

Written reports are attached for the following:

- a) Health, Wellbeing and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
- b) Economy, Environment and Place Scrutiny Committee

A verbal update will be given for the Finance, Assets and Performance Scrutiny Committee

**11 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE REGULATORY COMMITTEES (Pages 67 - 70)**

Written reports are attached for the following:

- a) Licensing and Public Protection Committee
- b) Audit and Standards Committee(a verbal update will be given for the meeting held on 17 July, 2023)

A verbal update will be given for the Planning Committee

**12 MOTIONS OF MEMBERS (Pages 71 - 72)**

A motion has been received regarding Staffordshire Fire Service.

**13 QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR, CABINET MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS (To Follow)**

**14 RECEIPT OF PETITIONS**

To receive from Members any petitions which they wish to present to the Council.

**15 URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any communications which pursuant to Appendix 7, Procedure Rule 8 of the constitution are, in the opinion of the Mayor, of an urgent nature and to pass thereon such resolutions as may be deemed necessary.

**16 DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION**

To resolve that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following report(s) as it is likely that there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs contained within Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive

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### **2. Mobile Phones**

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

### **3. Notice of Motion**

A Notice of Motion other than those listed in Procedure Rule 14 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 B5, Rule 4 of the Constitution of the Council.

Officers will be in attendance prior to the meeting for informal discussions on agenda items.