



**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, 16th April, 2025 at 7.00 pm.**

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

**1 ELECTION OF MAYOR**

Once elected, the Mayor will take the chair and make the declaration of acceptance of office.

**2 APOLOGIES**

**3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

**4 MINUTES OF A PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 5 - 10)**

To consider the Minutes of the previous meeting(s)

**5 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**6 CONTRACT AWARD FOR ASTLEY PLACE, MIDWAY CAR PARK AND THE RYECROFT DEVELOPMENTS (Pages 11 - 60)**

**7 CONSTITUTION UPDATE - OUTSIDE BODIES (Pages 61 - 66)**

**8 URGENT DECISION NOTIFICATION - COMMITTEE SEAT ALLOCATIONS (Pages 67 - 70)**

**9 STATEMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (Pages 71 - 74)**

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 75 - 76)**

Reports are attached for the following:

- a) Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee
- b) Health, Wellbeing and Environment Scrutiny Committee
- c) Finance, Assets and Performance Scrutiny Committee

**11 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE REGULATORY COMMITTEES**

**(Pages 77 - 80)**

Reports are attached for the following:

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

**12 QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR, CABINET MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

**(To Follow)**

**13 RECEIPT OF PETITIONS**

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

**14 URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any communications which pursuant to Section B4, Rule 9 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.

**15 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

## **NOTICE FOR COUNCILLORS**

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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.