

**Agenda for a meeting of the WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL to be held at the SHIRE HALL, WARWICK on TUESDAY 21 March 2017 at 10.00am.**

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**AGENDA**

**1. General**

**(1) Apologies for absence.**

**(2) Members' Disclosures of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interests**

Members are required to register their disclosable pecuniary interests within 28 days of their election of appointment to the Council. A member attending a meeting where a matter arises in which s/he has a disclosable pecuniary interest must (unless s/he has a dispensation):

- Declare the interest if s/he has not already registered it
- Not participate in any discussion or vote
- Must leave the meeting room until the matter has been dealt with.
- Give written notice of any unregistered interest to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the meeting

Non-pecuniary interests must still be declared in accordance with the Code of Conduct. These should be declared at the commencement of the meeting.

**(3) Minutes**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2017.  
Please note that the appendices referred to in the minutes have not been printed but are available to view on the Council website.

**(4) Announcements**

To receive any announcements from the Chair of the Council, Leader, Cabinet Members or Joint Managing Directors.

## **(5) Petitions**

To receive a petition from pupils of Trinity School, Leamington Spa regarding proposals for the future of the school's sixth form.

## **(6) Public Speaking**

To note any requests to speak in accordance with the Council's Public Speaking Scheme (see note at end of the agenda).

## **2. Coventry and Warwickshire Local Enterprise Partnership Board Membership (CWLEP)**

The CWLEP has amended its constitution which has led to the reduction of the County Council membership on the Board from two members to one member.

The County Council's current appointees are Councillor Peter Butlin and Councillor June Tandy.

The Council is invited to appoint one councillor to the Board with immediate effect and subject to review by the County Council at its Annual Meeting on 23 May 2017.

## **3. Coventry and Warwickshire Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP)**

Leader of the Council: Councillor Izzi Seccombe.

Chair of the STP Member Working Group: Councillor Alan Webb

The Council agreed on 13 December 2016 that it would not consider signing up to the Coventry and Warwickshire STP until expectations had been met (as set out in the minutes of the Council meeting) and also agreed that a cross-party member group be established to consider the STP.

This report summarises the progress made against the elements of the resolution made in December 2016.

## **4. Border to Coast Pensions Partnership**

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Cockburn

The Council agreed on 17 May 2016 to join the Border to Coast Investment Pool and is now invited to acquire a shareholding in the Border to Coast Pension Partnership Limited which will be the vehicle for administering the pool and to agree the establishment of the Border to Coast Pension Partnership Joint Committee.

## **5. Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18**

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Cockburn.

The Council is invited to approve its investment and borrowing strategy for 2017/18.

## **6. Review of Local Governance Arrangements**

Leader of the Council: Councillor Izzi Seccombe

Chair of the Local Governance Review Member Working Group:  
Councillor Peter Fowler

The Council is invited to consider the recommendations from the Member Working Group on its review of options for local governance arrangements.

## **7. Addition of three developer funded highway schemes to the Capital Programme**

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Cockburn

Local Members: As listed in the report .

The Council approval is requested for addition of the following three highway schemes to the Council's Capital Programme:

- A452 Europa Way (Lower Heathcote Farm), Warwick.
- Butlers Leap Link Road, Rugby.
- Shottery Link Road, Stratford-upon-Avon.

## **8. Motions to Council**

To consider the following motions submitted by members in accordance with Standing Order 5:

### **(1) Proposed Revisions to Schools Funding Formula**

This Council wishes to put on record its total opposition to the proposed schools funding formula. A formula which leaves Warwickshire schools 120th out of 150 local Authorities in terms of a funding allocation per pupil and where pupils in Rochdale are funded on the basis of £4336 per pupil while Warwickshire pupils receive £3558 is clearly not equitable. The new formula appears to be based primarily on previous spend rather than any realistic appraisal of adequate funding per pupil. We urge the Council to make representations to Warwickshire MPs and the appropriate Minister to request that formula be amended to a published national base figure which is then added to where necessary on the basis of clear and transparent criteria to remove the inherent unfairness which has been faithfully transposed from the old to the proposed system.

Proposer: Councillor Dave Parsons  
Seconder: Councillor Julie Jackson

## (2) Early Years Funding

This Council is proud of its current Early Years provision, with its rich mix of maintained nursery schools, nursery classes and private/voluntary (PVI) providers. It is therefore deeply concerned at the detrimental impact of the new Early Years National Funding Formula on Warwickshire Early Years providers from 2017/18 onwards, and the risks this poses to its ability to support the best possible start to their education for all Warwickshire children. Warwickshire is one of 20% of local authorities which will lose under the new national formula, in our case £1.3 million (6%) by 2018/19.

This Council calls on the Leader to write to the Secretary of State for Education and all Warwickshire MPs to express its grave concerns at the threat to the sustainability of good quality Early Years provision across all sectors, especially after the transitional funding arrangements expire, and to seek additional funding to enable the new Early Years National Funding Formula to be implemented in a fair and sustainable way across all providers.

Proposer: Councillor John Whitehouse  
Seconder: Councillor Clive Rickhards

## 9. Member Question Time

A period of up to one hour is allocated for question time. Extension beyond this time is at the discretion of the Chair.

### 9.1 Questions on Notice (Standing Order 7.2)

Cabinet Portfolio Holders and Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees will be invited to respond to any written questions from Members.

### 9.2 Questions without Notice to Leader of the Council and Cabinet Portfolio Holders (Standing Orders 7.7 and 7.8)

The Leader of the Council and Cabinet Portfolio Holders will be invited to respond to any oral questions from Members. Supplementary questions will not be permitted.

## 10. Any other items of urgent business.

To consider any other items that the Chair considers are urgent.

DAVID CARTER  
Joint Managing Director (Resources)  
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March 2017

### **Public Speaking**

Members of the public who are resident or working in Warwickshire may speak for up to three minutes on an item in the public part of the agenda. Notice of a request to speak must be made to the Joint Managing Director at least three working days before the meeting.

For advice on the public eligibility to speak and the procedure, or any enquiries regarding this agenda, please contact Janet Purcell, Democratic Services Manager, Law & Governance, Resources Group Tel: 01926 413716.  
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