

COUNCIL AGENDA

To:- The Members of the Staffordshire County Council

Notice is given that the meeting of the Staffordshire County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Stafford at 10.00 am on Thursday, 19 March 2020 to deal with the matters set out on the agenda.

John Henderson
Chief Executive
11 March 2020

AGENDA

(Note: The meeting will begin with prayers)

PART ONE

General Housekeeping and Declaring an Interest

1. **Apologies for absence (if any)**
2. **Declarations of Interest under Standing Order 16**
3. **Confirmation of the minutes of the Council meeting held on 13 February 2020**
(Pages 7 - 22)
4. **Chairman's Correspondence**

The Chairman will mention a range of recent items of news which may be of interest to Members

5. **Statement of the Leader of the Council** (Pages 23 - 26)

The Leader will inform the Council about his work and his plans for the Council, and will give an overview of decisions taken by the Cabinet (and Portfolio Holders) since the previous meeting of the Council

6. **Recommendations to the Council** (Pages 27 - 44)

(a) Pay Policy Statement 2020/21 - Section 38 of the Localism Act 2011

(b) Members' Allowances Scheme - Independent Remuneration Panel Report

7. **Notices of Motion**

Mr Atkins to move the following motion:

"Now that the Prime Minister has given the go ahead for HS2, at the very least this brings an end to years of uncertainty for our communities.

From the outset as a county council, while opposing HS2, we have been committed to getting the best deal for Staffordshire if HS2 gained Parliamentary approval, and our resolve to achieve this remains as strong and as firm as ever.

Therefore, this council moves that we now:

- (i) Work constructively with the Government and HS2 Ltd to mitigate the impact on Staffordshire, our communities and our diverse natural landscape.
- (ii) Welcome the appointment of a new dedicated HS2 Minister.
- (iii) Ensure that Staffordshire shares in any economic benefits from HS2.
- (iv) Ensure that Staffordshire benefits from improved connectivity and access to HS2 including compatible trains via Stafford.
- (v) Continue to work closely with our strategic transport partners to ensure that

Staffordshire benefits from an integrated approach to connectivity across the region.”

8. **Report of the Chairman of the Staffordshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel** (Pages 45 - 50)

9. **Questions**

Questions to be asked by Members of the County Council of the Leader of the Council, a Cabinet Member, or a Chairman of a Committee. The question will be answered by the relevant Member and the Member asking the question may then ask a follow up question which will also be answered

10. **Petitions**

An opportunity for Members to present and speak on petitions submitted by their constituents

11. **Exclusion of the Public**

The Chairman of the Council will move the following motion so that the County Council can consider confidential business in private:-

“That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business which involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Local Government Act 1972 indicated below”.

PART TWO

(All reports in this section are on pink paper)

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