

AGENDA for THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

to be held on

Wednesday, 21st February 2024



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To: All Members of the Borough Council

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, 21st February, 2024 at 6.00 p.m. to consider the appointment of a Chief Executive/ Head of Paid Service.

In accordance with Procedure Rule Part 4A, Paragraph 3.1(v) of the Council's Constitution, an Extraordinary meeting has been called by the Head of Paid Service as the business to be transacted requires an urgent decision by Council.

All members of the Council are summoned to attend to determine the business as set out below.

Public and press can follow the decision making online at www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk/virtual-meeting

Please note that meetings will be recorded for future broadcast.

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1. EVACUATION PROCEDURE

A fire drill is not expected, so if the alarm sounds, please evacuate the building quickly and calmly. Please use the stairs and do not use the lifts. Once out of the building, please gather outside the Lloyds Bank on the opposite side of the road.

Please exit by the door by which you entered the room or by the fire exits which are clearly indicated by the standard green fire exit signs.

If you need any assistance in evacuating the building, please make yourself known to a member of staff.

Please make sure all your mobile phones are turned off or set to silent

- 2. APOLOGIES to receive apologies for absence from the meeting.
- 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in matters under consideration pursuant to Council procedure Rule 4A.2(iii).

Declaring interests at meetings

If there is any item of business to be discussed at the meeting in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest or non- pecuniary interest (Other Interests), you must declare the interest appropriately at the start of the meeting or as soon as you become aware that you have an interest.

Arrangements have been made for interests that are declared regularly by members to be appended to the agenda (Page 6). Any interest noted in the Schedule at the back of the agenda papers will be deemed to have been declared and will be minuted as such by the Committee Services Officer. As a general rule, there will, therefore, be no need for those Members to declare those interests as set out in the schedule.

There are, however, TWO EXCEPTIONS to the general rule:

- 1. When the interest amounts to a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest that is engaged in connection with any item on the agenda and the member feels that the interest is such that they must leave the room. Prior to leaving the room, the member must inform the meeting that they are doing so, to ensure that it is recorded in the minutes.
- 2. Where a dispensation has been granted to vote and/or speak on an item where there is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, but it is not referred to in the Schedule (where for example, the dispensation was granted by the Monitoring Officer immediately prior to the meeting). The existence and nature of the dispensation needs to be recorded in the minutes and will, therefore, have to be disclosed at an appropriate time to the meeting.

Note: Following the adoption of the new Code of Conduct, Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary or a Deemed Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, the Member must withdraw from the room.

Where a Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest but has received a dispensation from Audit and Standards Committee, that Member may vote and/or speak on the matter (as the case may be) and must disclose the existence of the dispensation and any restrictions placed on it at the time the interest is declared.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest as defined in the Code of Conduct, the Member may address the meeting as a member of the public as set out in the Code.

Note: Council Procedure Rules require Members with Disclosable Pecuniary Interests to withdraw from the meeting unless a dispensation allows them to remain to vote and/or speak on the business giving rise to the interest.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest, the Council's Code of Conduct permits public speaking on the item, after which the Member is required by Council Procedure Rules to withdraw from the meeting.

- 4. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u> to receive announcements from the Mayor, Leader, Members of the Cabinet, or the Executive Director.
- 5. <u>PUBLIC SPEAKING</u> pursuant to paragraph 4.9.1 of the Council's Constitution (Page 13), 20 minutes is to be set aside for members of the public to speak and ask questions in connection with the item on the agenda.
- 6. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS
 RECOMMENDED that under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, it being likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in paragraph (i) and (iv) of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.
- 7. <u>APPOINTMENT OF A CHIEF EXECUTIVE/ HEAD OF PAID SERVICE -</u> a report of the Employment Sub Committee (Appointment Panel) is **to follow**

NOTE: Points of Order and Personal Explanation can only be raised in accordance with Council Procedure Rules which are set out below:-

Point of order

A Member may raise a point of order at any time. The Mayor will hear them at the end of the speech of the Member speaking at the time the point is raised. A point of order may only relate to an alleged breach of these Council Rules of Procedure or the law. The Member must indicate the rule of law and the way in which he/she considers it has been broken. The Mayor shall consider the Point of Order and, if necessary, take advice on the matter from the Monitoring Officer and, shall then rule on the Point of Order raised. There shall be no discussion or challenge to the advice given or the Mayors decision in the meeting. If a Member persistently seeks to raise a Point of Order but is unable to identify the procedure rule or legal principle infringed then, after having been warned by the Mayor, any further abuse of this procedure rule shall not be tolerated, and the Mayor shall move that the Member not be heard further pursuant to Procedure Rule 4.19.13. The ruling of the Mayor on the matter will be final.

Personal explanation

A Member may make a point of personal explanation at any time. The Mayor will hear them at the end of the speech of the Member speaking at the time the point is raised. A personal explanation may only relate to some material part of an earlier speech by the Member which may appear to have been misunderstood in the present debate. The ruling of the Mayor on the admissibility of a personal explanation will be final.

Council - Schedule of Declarations of Interests - 2023/2024

Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
General dispensations granted to all members under s.33 of the Localism Act 2011			Granted to all members of the Council in the areas of: - Housing matters - Statutory sick pay under Part XI of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 - An allowance, payment given to members - An indemnity given to members - Any ceremonial honour given to members - Setting council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - Planning and Licensing matters - Allotments - Local Enterprise Partnership
R. Baxter- Payne	Employed by Vinci Construction Major Projects UK Ltd (VCMP UK Ltd); County Councillor - WCC	Spouse: Self-employed childminder Member of the following Outside Bodies: • West Midlands Combined Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee • Warwickshire Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (substitute)	
B. Beetham	Senior PowerBi Lead at Wye Valley Hospital Trust; Warwickshire County Council – Camp Hill	Member of the following Outside Bodies:	
D. Brown	Employed by H.M Land Registry	Regional Coordinator, Ragdoll Rescue Charity. Representative on the following Outside Bodies: Exhall Education Foundation (Council appointment).	
C. Cape	Director of Capability Coaching and Consultancy Ltd.	Member of the following Outside Bodies: • Armed Forces Covenant Meeting	

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J. Clarke	Employed by Marcus Jones MP	County Councillor W.C.C. Nuneaton Conservative Association; Deputy Chairman Officer of the Abbey Preceptory No.541 - Nuneaton	
T. Cooper	None	Member on the following Outside Bodies:	
J. Coventry- Moreton	School Receptionist – St Nicholas Chamberlain School, Bedworth	Share in rental dwelling at Sealand Drive, Bedworth and Tresilian Road, Bedworth.	
S. Croft	Employed at Holland & Barrett Retail Ltd	Treasurer of the Conservative Association Member of the following Outside Bodies:	
L. Cvetkovic	Head of Geography (Teacher), Sidney Stringer Academy, Coventry	The Bulkington Volunteers (Founder); Bulkington Sports and Social Club (Trustee) Member on the following Outside Bodies: • Building Control Partnership Steering Group	
L. Downs	River Bars Limited; Coventry Plus Beyond the Plane Little Caesars Donuts Limited NBBC Council Contract for market pitch	Member on the following Outside Body: • Hammersley, Smith and Orton Charity	
K. Evans	Employed by the Local Government Association	Sponsorship: Election Expenses – North Warwickshire Conservative Association	

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		Membership of Other Bodies: • Substitute Member of the West Midlands Combined Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee	
		Member of the Bedworth Conservative Club Member of the Conservative Party.	
C. Golby		Member of Warwickshire County Council.	
		Membership of Other Bodies: Nuneaton and Bedworth Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd. Nuneaton and Bedworth Home Improvement Agency Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board Warwickshire Housing and Support Partnership Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust — Public/User Board George Eliot Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Governors District Leaders (substitute) Local Enterprise Partnership (substitute) Coventry, Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth Joint Committee (substitute)	
M. Green	Employed by Horiba Mira – Engineering Technician	Chair of Education Standards Committee – St Thomas More School. School Appeals Panel Member Our Lady of the Angels Church. President – St Vincent De Paul Society Nuneaton. Director – Holy Spirit Catholic Multi Academy Company. Member of the George Eliot Fellowship Member of Other Bodies: • Friendship Project for Children.	

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		 Nuneaton Education Strategy Group Trustee of Abbey Theatre 	
J. Gutteridge		Representative on the following Outside Bodies: Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Board Age UK (Warwickshire Branch) Committee of Management of Hartshill and Nuneaton Recreation Ground West Midlands Combined Authority Wellbeing Board	
		Member of NABCEL	
B. Hammersley	County Councillor – W.C.C.	Member on the following Outside Bodies: • Hammersley, Smith and Orton Charity	
S. Harbison	Self Employed	Member of Conservative and Unionist Party. Member on the following Outside Bodies: • Astley Charity	
J. Hartshorn	Employed by Asda Nuneaton	Member of Nuneaton Conservatives	
J. Kennaugh	County Councillor W.C.C. Employed by FedEx Express UK Ltd	Member of the W.C.C. Regulatory Committee Member of the Conservative Party Member of UNITE the Union Member on the following Outside Bodies: • EQuIP	
K.A. Kondakor	Electronic and Embedded Software Design Engineer (self-employed)	Unpaid Director of 100% Renewables UK Ltd Green Party (E&W)	
S. Markham	County Councillor – WCC (Portfolio Holder for Children's Services)	Governor at Ash Green School Member of the following Outside Bodies: Nuneaton and Bedworth Sports Forum Warwickshire Direct Partnership Warwickshire Waste Partnership Sherbourne Asset Co Shareholder Committee Hammersley, Smith and Orton Charities	

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		Trustee of Abbey Theatre	
G. Moreton	Member of School Appeals Panels at Warwickshire County Council	Share in rental dwellings at Sealand Drive, Bedworth and Tresillian Road, Exhall.	
		Member on the following Outside Bodies:	
B. Pandher		Member of Warwickshire County Council	
		President & Trustee of Nanaksar Gurdwara Gursikh Temple Coventry; Coordinator of Council of Sikh Temples in Coventry; Secretary of Coventry Indian Community; Trustee of Sikh Monument Trust Vice Chair Exhall Multicultural Group	
		Member of the following Outside Bodies: Foleshill Charity Trustee – Proffitt's Charity Conservative Party	
N. Phillips	Employee of DWP	 Member of: Nuneaton Labour CLP The Fabian Society The George Eliot Society The PCS Union Central Credit Union Stockingford Sports and Allotment Club Haunchwood Sports and Social Club 	
J. Sheppard		Partnership member of the Hill Top and Caldwell Big Local.	
		Director of Wembrook Community Centre.	Dispensation to speak and vote on any matters of Borough Plan that relate to the Directorship of Wembrook Community Centre
		Member of Labour Party	
T. Sheppard		Member of Unite Union Member of Labour Party	
E. Shiers	Employed by and Director of Cannon Enterprise Ltd. Director of The Fresh	The Labour Party Coventry East Credit Union Member of the Pride in Camp	

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	Dessert Company	Hill Board.	
		Member of the governing board for Camp Hill Primary School.	
		Member of the Board of Trustees of Camp Hill Community Association.	
		Volunteer for the Coventry and Warwickshire district RSPCA	
		Director Community Interest Company Chill (alternative education provision for young people)	
J. Singh	Owner of business named Gardening under Rural Services based at Sedgies, Bedworth.		
R. Smith		Chairman of Volunteer Friends, Bulkington; Trustee of Bulkington Sports and Social Club;	
M. Tromono	Wassislahis Quant	Member of the following Outside Bodies: • A5 Member Partnership; • PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulation Outside of London) Joint Committee; • Building Control Partnership Steering Group • Bulkington Village Community and Conference Centre • West Midlands Combined Authority and Land Delivery Board	
M. Tromans	Warwickshire County Councillor (Galley Common) Share in a rental property in Hydes	Member of WI Member of the Conservative Party	
P Tromana	Pastures, Nuneaton	Member of the Concernative	
R. Tromans	Compliance, GIM, Coventry	Member of the Conservative Party	
	Warwickshire County Councillor (Weddington)	Member of the Chartered Institute of Credit Management	
	Share in a rental property in Hydes Pastures, Nuneaton	Representative on the West Midlands Combined Transport Overview and Scrutiny Panel	

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M. Walsh	Employed by MacInnes Tooling Ltd. – UK Sales Manager		
C.M. Watkins	Employee of Nutri Pack	Representative on the following outside bodies: Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd. (NABCEL)	
	Delivery Manager, Nuneaton and Warwick County	Deputy Chairman – Nuneaton Conservative Association	
	Courts, HMCTS, Warwickshire Justice Centre, Nuneaton	Corporate Tenancies: properties are leased by NBBC to Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd, of which I am a Council appointed Director.	
		Representative on the following Outside Bodies: Director of Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd (NABCEL) Coventry, Warwickshire and Hinckley & Bosworth Joint Committee District Council Network Local Government Association LGA People & Places Board (Member) West Midlands Combined Authority	
M. Wright		,	

4A.9 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4.9.1 **General**

At each Ordinary Meeting or Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Council, 20 minutes (which can be extended at the discretion of the Mayor) shall be set aside for questions or statements from the public gallery by any resident of the Borough in relation to matters in respect of which the Council has powers or duties, or which affect the Borough. In the case of an Extra Ordinary Meeting the question or statement must relate to the business of that meeting.

4.9.2 Notice of Questions and Statements

No such question shall be asked, or statement made, unless it shall have been delivered in writing to the Head of Paid Service no later than 12 noon on the day before the meeting of the Council.

4.9.3 Scope of Questions and Statements

The Head of Paid Service may reject a question or statement if it:

- a) is not about a matter for which the Council has a responsibility or which doesn't affect the Borough;
- b) is defamatory, frivolous or offensive;
- c) is substantially the same as a question or statement which has been put at a meeting of the Council in the past six months;
- d) requires or involves the disclosure of confidential or exempt information; or
- e) It is not a question nor a statement, as provided for in these Procedure Rules.
- 4.9.4 The Mayor will invite the relevant Cabinet Member or Committee Chair to give a reply. Such reply shall not exceed five minutes. In the case of a question, on the discretion of the Mayor, a supplementary question may be asked if arising directly from the reply, provided that the original allocation of five minutes is not exceeded. The Mayor may reject a supplementary question on any of the grounds detailed in paragraph 4.9.3 above

4.9.5 Time Limit and Number of Questions

No question or statement shall exceed three minutes. In the event of there being more than one question or statement, the Head of Paid Service will ensure that questions and statements are dealt with in the order received. At the expiry of the 20 minute period, or such period as may be agreed by the Mayor, or after the reply to the final question or statement, whichever shall first occur, the Council will proceed to the next business.

4.9.6 Record of Questions and Statements

The question or statement and the reply given shall be minuted.

4.9.7 Reference of Question to the Cabinet or a Committee

Unless the Mayor decides otherwise, no discussion will take place on any question, but any Member may move that a matter raised by a question be referred to the Cabinet or the appropriate Committee. Once seconded, such a motion will be voted on without discussion.

4.9.8 Any question or statement which cannot be dealt with during Public Participation because of lack of time will be dealt with in writing, and recorded in accordance with paragraph 4.9.6.