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## AGENDA FOR A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor,

You are requested to attend a Council Meeting in the <u>Council Chamber</u> at the <u>Town Hall</u>, <u>Burton upon Trent</u> on <u>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023</u> at <u>6.30pm</u> immediately preceded by prayers.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Executive

To: All Members of the Council

#### **PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

Members of the Public may attend this Meeting and are also entitled to see the background papers to any report which is not likely to be considered in private. Copies of the public Agenda, background papers, and reports will also be supplied on payment of a copying charge. Please note that Council meetings may be recorded unless they are dealing with exempt or confidential information.

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## MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

To be held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall,
Burton upon Trent DE14 2EB

## AGENDA

	Item	Presenter	Reference	Decision Required
1.	Apologies	Chief Executive	Oral	-
2.	Declarations of Interest	Mayor	Oral	-
3.	To approve as a correct record and sign the public Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Borough Council held on 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023.	Mayor	Enclosure No 1	To approve
4.	To receive any announcements from the Mayor, the Leader of the Council or the Proper Officer	Mayor/Leader of the Council/Proper Officer	Oral	To note
5.	To consider any urgent business brought forward to the Council under Rule 12	Mayor	Oral	To approve
6.	Amendment of the Constitution and Inclusion of Public Participation during Scrutiny Committees	Monitoring Officer	Enclosure No 2	To approve

7.	Corporate Plan 2023/24	Leader of the Council	Enclosure No 3 (to follow with the consent of the Mayor)	To approve
8.	Annual Treasury Management Report	Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury Management	Enclosure No 4	To approve
9.	Committee Membership Change	Leader of the Council	Oral	To approve
10.	To consider the following motion of which notice has been given by Councillor P Walker:  "This Council condemns all business that use Fire and Rehire tactics on workers. We resolve to support unions lawfully engaged in protecting their members against Fire and Rehire tactics and call on business to instead enter meaningful negotiations with workers and their representatives.  To this end the council resolves, as far as it is legally possible to:  i) Exclude from the councils list of authorised suppliers any business using Fire and Rehire tactics within a three year period of such a contract coming into force, updating our ethical procurement and social value policy to achieve this aim  ii) Notify the councils authorised suppliers of its intention to procure in accordance with (i) above and to further preclude procuring from business who	Councillor P Walker	Oral	To debate

	themselves do business with those using such Fire and Rehire tactics.  iii) Instruct the Chief Executive of the Council to identify the appropriate officer to liaise with Trade Unions and keep a record of business who have threatened workers with Fire and Rehire contracts."			
11.	To consider the following motion of which notice has been given by Councillor M Holton:  "This Council expresses its concern over increasing levels of food poverty within our communities created through political choices and systematic failures over the past four decades. This crisis has now reached a tipping point in so many of our communities.  In May 2022 at least one member in almost one in 20 households went a day without food. As of last Autumn, the TUC reported that 1 in 8 people have missed meals or gone without food in the parliamentary constituency alone with 2 in 5 cutting back on food	Councillor M Holton	Oral	To debate
	This Council notes the increasing rates of poverty and inequality across our Borough emphasised by the fact that nearly a quarter of children in this area alone live in some form of poverty with some wards in Burton having a child poverty ration of over 50%, according to the House of Commons library. This Council is saddened to learn that the ongoing cost of living crisis is causing some local residents to request that only food parcels are provided that do not require a cooker, fridge or freezer.			

We are also aware that more residents are requesting other goods be provided at food banks, such as sanitary towels and other toiletries due to rising costs.

We know that food poverty leads to health inequality and lower life expectancy, adverse implications on children's education and life chances and an impact on human dignity and social cohesion.

The Right To Food campaign believes that the estimated 11 million people currently living in food poverty must be a priority for the British government. Enshrining The Right to Food into law would clarify the State's obligations regarding food poverty and would provide a legal means for holding the Government to account for its implementation.

This Council supports the Right To Food campaign's five demands to Government and urges that these are delivered as a matter of urgency. These are:

- Universal free school meals for every child
- The Government must state what percentage of minimum wages and benefits (on which people are expected to live) is for food.
- Independent enforcement of legislation. The Right To Food campaign must be enforced by an independent body that can hold the Government to account.
- 4) Community Kitchens. The Right To Food campaign believes these can form a sustainable solution to food poverty and that the Government should fund dining clubs, meals on wheels and school holiday meals for

	those in need and cookery clubs for the entire community.  5) Ensured food security. The Government must ensure food security and take this into account when setting competition, planning, transport, local government and all other policy.			
	We ask the Chief Executive to write to the Prime Minister to further this request and call on the new cabinet to place the right to food at the heart of its thinking and to explore options to implement community kitchens and to ensure universal school meals across the borough."			
12.	To answer any questions from Members asked pursuant to Rule 18	Mayor	Oral	To approve

#### **NOTE**

The Press and public are likely to be excluded from this Meeting during the following item of business, as it is likely there will be discussion of exempt information, as described in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972 (copy available on the Council's web site (<a href="www.eaststaffsbc.gov.uk">www.eaststaffsbc.gov.uk</a>), the appropriate paragraph of which is noted in brackets before the agenda item

- (3) 13. **URGENT DECISION EDR 12/23**
- (3) 14. ACQUISITION OF THE FORMER CO-OP BUILDING AT THE MALTINGS, UTTOXETER

The Mayor will therefore move

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the Press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, indicated in brackets before the item number on the Agenda.

### SCHEDULE 12A LGA 1972 (as at August 2013)

# ACCESS TO INFORMATION: EXEMPT INFORMATION PART 1 DESCRIPTIONS OF EXEMPT INFORMATION: ENGLAND

- 1. Information relating to any individual.
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
- 2A. [Repealed]
- 3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
- 4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
- 5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
- 6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes—
  - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
- 7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.
- 8. [Repealed]
- 9. [Repealed]
- 10. [Repealed]
- 11. [Repealed]
- 12. [Repealed]
- 13. [Repealed]
- 14. [Repealed]
- 15. [Repealed]