

Council

Tuesday 13 April 2021 at 5.30pm

ARRANGEMENTS FOR PUBLIC ACCESS TO REMOTE MEETINGS

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Disclosing Pecuniary Interests - What Must You Do?

(a) You must complete a declaration of your disclosable pecuniary interests, including those of your spouse/civil partner (or someone with whom you are living as such) and send it to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of your election or appointment to the Council.

(b) When you attend a meeting of the Council, Cabinet, Scrutiny Board, Committee, Sub-Committee or Joint Committee etc, and a matter arises in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, unless you have been granted a dispensation, **you must:**

- Declare the interest if you have not already registered it
- Not participate in any discussion or vote
- 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

(c) If you are the Leader or a Cabinet Portfolio Holder you may not exercise any of your delegated powers as a single member in relation to a matter in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest or take any other step except to give written notice of any unregistered interest to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of your becoming aware of the interest, or arrange for another person or body to deal with the matter.

Disclosable Interest	Description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain by you or your partner.
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the Council) made or provided within 12 months of your declaration of interests in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses.
Contracts	Any contract between you or your partner (or a firm or body corporate in which you or your partner is a partner or a director, or in the securities of which you or your partner has a beneficial interest) and the Council (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the Council and which gives you or your partner a right to occupy the land or receive income.
Licences	Any licence held by you or your partner (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the Council for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to your knowledge)— (a) the landlord is the Council; and (b) the tenant is a body in which you or your partner has a beneficial interest i.e. a firm or body corporate in which you or your partner is a partner or a director, or in the securities of which you or your partner has a beneficial interest.
Securities	Any beneficial interest held by you or your partner in securities of a body where— (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the Council; and (b) either— (i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or (ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you or your partner has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class. “securities” means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

SOLIHULL METROPOLITAN
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Date Tuesday 6 April 2021

COUNCIL - Tuesday 13 April 2021

AGENDA

Mayor to announce:

**‘May I remind everyone present that this meeting will be broadcast live via
YouTube.’**

1. **APOLOGIES.**

2. **COUNCIL MINUTES (5.35PM)** (Pages 7 - 16)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the previous Council meeting.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR CONFLICTING INTERESTS FROM
MEMBERS (5.40PM)**

To receive declarations of interest from Members in accordance with the Code
of Conduct (Members are directed to the guidance sheet attached)

4. **PETITIONS (5.45PM)**

To receive petitions from Members of the Council.

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS (5.50PM)**

To receive any announcements from the Mayor, Leader of the Council or
Members of the Cabinet.

6. **QUESTIONS AND DEPUTATIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 9 AND 12
(5.55PM)**

To answer questions asked by residents of the Borough under Standing Order 9 and to hear petitioners or deputations in accordance with Standing Order 12.

7. **QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 8 (6.25PM)**

To answer questions asked under Standing Order 8 by Councillors **(30 Minutes)**

8. **COUNCIL TOPIC OF DEBATE**

To deal with any Topic of Debate submitted.

9. **NOTICE OF MOTION (6.55PM)**

To deal with any Motions received.

10. **REPORT FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL - THE COUNCIL PLAN UPDATE 2020 - 2025 (7.00PM)** (Pages 17 - 26)

To present updates to the Council Plan, 2020 - 2025 for approval.

11. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES (7.20PM)**

To deal with the following recommendation from Committees:

Governance Committee 24 March 2021

Minute 4 Financial Regulations – 2021/22 Update (page 149)

RECOMMENDED

That the revised Financial Regulations and other associated guidance documents as set out in Appendices A-C to the report be approved by Council with the revised Regulations to be enforced from April 2021.

Minute 6 New Code of Conduct for Elected and Co-Opted Members (page 150)

RECOMMENDED

That the Council adopt the Local Government Association Model Code of Conduct as set out in the Appendix to the report with effect from the start of the 2021/22 Municipal Year, subject to paragraph 10.2 being amended to read *“I register with the Monitoring Officer any gift or hospitality within 28 days of its receipt”*.

Minute 7 Independent Remuneration Panel Review of Special Responsibility Allowances for Minority Group Leaders (page 150)

RECOMMENDED

That no change be made to the existing Scheme of Members' Allowances.

Minute 8 Update to Constitutional Standing Orders (page 150)

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order 38 be amended to include the following:

- Appeals Panel (appointed by Governance Committee) – 3 Members
- Remuneration Committee – 7 Members of the Council and a co-opted non-voting independent member

12. **REPORTS FROM CABINET (7.30PM)** (Pages 27 - 104)

To receive a summary of decisions, reports from and to deal with any subsequent questions in relation to the following Cabinet Portfolios:

- a) Leader of the Council Cabinet and Portfolio (Economy) Report (pages 27-38)
- b) Cabinet Member for Resources (pages 39-44)
- c) Cabinet Member for Stronger and Safer Communities (pages 45-49)
- d) Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Planning and Housing (pages 51-55)
- e) Cabinet Member for Children Education and Skills– (pages 57-63)
- f) Cabinet Member for Environment and Highways (pages 65-71)
- g) Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health including Solihull Health and Wellbeing Board minutes (pages 73-93)
- h) Cabinet Member for Growth and Infrastructure (pages 95-97)
- (i) Cabinet Member for Leisure Tourism and Sport (pages 99-103)

13. **MINUTES OF SCRUTINY BOARDS (8.15PM)** (Pages 105 - 138)

The minutes of the following Scrutiny Board are presented for information:

- a) Resources and Delivering Value (pages 105-115)
- b) Health and Adult Social Care (pages 117-123)
- c) Children's Services, Education and Skills (pages 125-132)
- d) Stronger Communities and Neighbourhood Services (pages 133-138)

14. **MINUTES OF COMMITTEES (8.15PM)** (Pages 139 - 270)

The minutes of the following Committees are presented for information:

- a) Audit Committee (pages 139-142)

b) HS2 Implementation Advisory Group (pages 143-148)

c) Governance Committee (pages 149-269)

15. **JOINT ARRANGEMENTS AND EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (8.20PM)**
(Pages 271 - 294)

To receive the following reports:

a) Minutes of the WMCA Overview and Scrutiny Minutes

16. **QUESTIONS BY LEADERS OF POLITICAL GROUPS UNDER SO5 (2) (T)**
(8.25PM)

To deal with any questions by Leaders of political groups to the Leader of the Council, a member of the Cabinet, a Chairman of a Committee, Board, Sub-Committee or Task and Finish Group.

17. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE URGENT MATTERS (8.30PM)**

The Chief Executive to report on any urgent matters.

18. **QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 8 (8.35PM)**

To answer any remaining questions not dealt with under item 7.

19. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

That, pursuant to Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be now excluded from the meeting for the remainder of the business to be transacted, on the grounds that there would be disclosure to them of exempt information in terms of paragraph 3 of Part 9 of Schedule 12A to the said Act.

20. **PRIVATE MINUTES (8.40PM)** (Pages 295 - 300)

The following sets of minutes are presented for information:

(a) Audit Committee (pages 295-297)

(b) Resources and Delivering Value Scrutiny Board (pages 299-300)