

**A MEETING OF THE
BOROUGH OF TELFORD & WREKIN**

**Will be held at THE PLACE,
OAKENGATES, TELFORD TF2 6ET
on THURSDAY, 19 JANUARY 2017
at 6.00pm**

**All Members are summoned to attend for the transaction
of the under mentioned business**



Assistant Director Governance, Procurement & Commissioning

AGENDA

1. **Prayers**
2. **Apologies for Absence**
3. **Declarations of Interest**
4. **Minutes of the Council**
To confirm the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 24 November 2016 and the Extraordinary Council Meeting on 7 December 2016.
5. **Leader's Report & Announcements**
The Leader of the Council may give an oral report on matters of significance to the Borough, comment upon the Cabinet decisions or make any announcements.

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6. **Mayor's Announcements**

To note the Mayoral Engagements undertaken since the Annual Council meeting held on 24 November 2016.

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Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards

The Mayor will present Certificates of Achievement to young people who have recently received the prestigious Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award.

7. **Public Questions**

To receive any questions from the public which have been submitted under Council Procedure Rules 7.11 and 7.12. The session will last no more than 15 minutes with a maximum of 2 minutes allowed for each question and answer. Questions can be asked of The Leader and Cabinet Members.

The following question to Cllr A D McClements, Cabinet Member: Transport, Customer & Neighbourhood Services has been submitted by Carol Scott MBE:

"I am pleased that Telford and Wrekin have launched "My Telford". Can you advise what advances are being made to update each incident status so that the reporting individual knows what action is being taken and are there plans to identify replications to save duplication of time and effort?"

8. **Cabinet Decisions Made Since the Last Meeting of the Council**

To receive the report on the Cabinet decisions made since publication of the last Council meeting agenda. Cabinet Members may speak on these decisions and Members may ask questions about key decisions of the relevant Cabinet Member for the purposes of clarification only. Members are asked to note the additional delegations to officers granted at those meetings.

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9. **Recommendations from Cabinet**

Cabinet – 5 January 2017

(i) 2016/17 Financial Management Report

Recommended that the changes to the capital programme in section 1 of the report be approved.

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(ii) Council Tax Support Scheme 2017/18

Recommended that –

(a) the Council Tax Support Scheme Policy for 2017/18 as

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- shown at Appendix A be approved.**
(b) the continuation of the Council Tax Hardship Policy and accompanying funding be approved.

10. **Setting of the Council Tax Base for 2017/18** Appendix F
To receive the report of the Assistant Director: Finance & Human Resources (Chief Financial Officer). White
Pages65-70
11. **Update to the Council's Constitution and Political Balance** Appendix G
To consider the report of the Assistant Director: Governance, Procurement & Commissioning. White
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12. **Questions**
To answer questions received under Council Procedure Rule 6.2.

NB In accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 6.2.9 there will be a maximum of 30 minutes allowed for questions and answers. Any question not answered within the 30 minute time limit will receive a written reply within 5 working days.

13. **Notices of Motion**

- (i) Councillor K S Sahota will move the following Motion:

“Since the Brexit vote we have seen a rise in hate crime across the Country.

We are proud to represent and live in a diverse, multi cultural and tolerant community where Racism, Xenophobia and other hate crimes have no place in the Borough of Telford and Wrekin.

This council condemns Hate Crime in the strongest possible terms and will not allow it to remain unchallenged or to be accepted.

We will work with our partners to ensure that we have the necessary support and the resources to reduce these crimes.

We would like to reassure everyone living in the Borough of Telford and Wrekin, regardless of their background, that they are a valued member of our community.”

The Motion will be seconded by Councillor A J Burford.

KEY

Yellow paper	Recommendations from Cabinet to Full Council
White Paper	Reports submitted direct to Full Council
Green Paper	Recommendations from Committees, Boards and Commissions requiring approval by Full Council

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PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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