

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

**will be held at THE PLACE, OAKENGATES, TELFORD
on THURSDAY, 24 MAY 2018
at 6.00pm**

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

Assistant Director: Governance, Procurement & Commissioning

AGENDA

1. Welcome from the Mayor

The Mayor will welcome guests to the meeting.

2. Declaration

The following declaration will be read:

“Colleagues, aware of our responsibilities to promote democracy and the well-being of all local people, on behalf of the Council, I make this commitment to our office as elected representatives.

Elected to serve the public good, we recognise that public office is a privilege granted by the people and not a right.

We, elected representatives of the people of Telford & Wrekin, declare that we will, to the best of our ability, uphold the Council’s constitution and serve the community above any private or personal interest.”

All Members will affirm the Declaration.

3. Prayers

4. **Election of Mayor**
To elect a Mayor for 2018/19
5. **Election of Speaker**
To elect a Speaker for 2018/19
6. **Election of Deputy Speaker**
To elect a Deputy Speaker for 2018/19
7. **Election of Deputy Mayor**
To elect a Deputy Mayor for 2018/19
8. **Votes of Thanks to Retiring Mayor**
9. **Reply to Votes of Thanks**
10. **Apologies for Absence**
11. **Declarations of Interest**
12. **Minutes of the Council** Appendix A1-3
To confirm the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 1 March 2018 and 10 April 2018 and the extraordinary meeting held on 10 April 2018
13. **Announcements**
14. **Appointment of Cabinet** Appendix B
To note the appointment, by the Leader of the Council, of Members to serve on the Cabinet for 2018/19
15. **Delegation Scheme**
To re-assert the Council's delegation scheme in accordance with the Constitution
16. **Appointment of Committees and Boards for 2018/19** Appendix C
To confirm the appointment of the Committees and Boards of the Council for 2018/19, including the Chairs, Vice-Chairs and Members to serve on those bodies
17. **Programme of Ordinary Meetings of the Council** Appendix D
To confirm the programme of dates for ordinary meetings of the Council for 2018/19

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BOROUGH OF TELFORD & WREKIN

Minutes of the Meeting of the Borough of Telford & Wrekin held on Thursday, 1 March 2018 at 6.00pm at The Place, Oakengates, Telford

Present:

Councillors S L Barnes, S Bentley, K T Blundell, A J Burford, S P Burrell, E J Carter, L D Carter, G K Cook, S Davies, N A Dugmore, A J Eade, A R H England, N A M England, R C Evans, I T W Fletcher, J A Francis, C A Furnival, E J Greenaway, K R Guy, M B Hosken, J Jones, R T Kiernan, A Lawrence, J Loveridge, C N Mason, A D McClements, R Mehta, J C Minor, L A Murray, R A Overton, J Pinter, G C W Reynolds, S A W Reynolds, S J Reynolds (Mayor), K S Sahota, P J Scott, R J Sloan, C F Smith (Speaker), M J Smith, B D Tillotson, K T Tomlinson, W L Tomlinson, C R Turley, and P R Watling

70. Prayers

Rev Keith Osmund-Smith said prayers.

71. Apologies for Absence

Councillors M Boylan, E A Clare, V A Fletcher, N C Lowery, T J Nelson, H Rhodes, J M Seymour, and D G Wright

Councillors J C Ashford and A A Meredith were absent from the meeting.

72. Declarations of Interest

None.

73. Minutes of the Council

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2018 be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

74. Leader's Report & Announcements

The Leader expressed thanks to everyone involved in keeping Telford moving through the adverse weather conditions.

75. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor drew attention to the inaugural Commonwealth Celebration Event due to take place on the evening of 12 March 2018 at Oakengates Theatre.

76. Public Questions

None received.

78. Cabinet Decisions Made Since the Last Meeting of the Council

Members received the report on the Cabinet decisions made since the last meeting of the Council and, due to the adverse weather conditions, it was agreed that questions would be dealt with by way of written response.

Cabinet - 15 February 2018 - Better Homes for All: Tackling Rogue Landlords & Improving Private Rented Housing

Councillor Andrew Eade asked for a detailed breakdown of the costs associated with the proposals to introduce selective licensing

Cabinet - 4 January 2018 - School Funding Formula 2018/19

Councillor Ian Fletcher requested details of the percentage retained by the Council of the schools grant and what the actual amounts were.

79. Recommendations from Cabinet

Cabinet – 15 February 2018

(i) Driving Delivery of the Council's Priorities

This item was adjourned due to adverse weather conditions.

80. Service & Financial Planning 2018/19 to 2019/20

In light of adverse weather conditions and with the agreement of the meeting, the Speaker announced that the length of speeches for this item would be reduced by half.

Councillor L D Carter, Cabinet Member: Council Finance, Partnerships & Commercial Services, presented a series of reports from the Managing Director, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director for Customer, Neighbourhood & Wellbeing Services and the Assistant Director: Customer & Neighbourhood. The reports, detailing the Revenue Budget, Capital Programme, the Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators, formed the Council's overall Medium Term Service & Financial Planning framework, and identified the service priorities and budget for 2018/19. The report included details of savings proposals and investments for 2018/19 and 2019/20 and set out the proposed approach to developing the further savings that would be required through to 2020/21.

The Overview and Revenue Budget report set out the severe financial challenges facing the Council. By the end of this financial year, the Council would have made savings of £110m per annum, meaning that every year there was now £1,500 less to spend delivering services to each household in the Borough. The Council had sought to do this in ways that protected front line services as far as possible and where services to the public were affected to do this in as compassionate a way as possible.

Following the publication of its draft budget proposals in early January, and a one month consultation period, Cabinet had confirmed its key budget priorities as Adult Social Care and Children's Safeguarding. After implementing the government's new 2% social care precept, the budget for Adult Social Care would increase by £2.2m and Children's Safeguarding and Early Help services would increase by £1.9m.

There were four core elements to the medium term service and financial strategy which were in line with the "Being the Change" ethos to take the organisation forward and deliver budget savings:-

- Focusing on solving problems and promoting social responsibility and action to manage and reduce demand for services,
- Challenging and changing, reviewing and reimagining the way the Council did things
- Reducing dependency on Government grants,
- Being a modern organisation with modern practices and which always got the basics right.

The Council had also adopted a new approach to the budget consultation which would take place throughout the year, rather than being compressed into a 4 week period which would allow greater focus and interaction with the community. The Council had commenced targeted discussions with Town and Parish Councils and voluntary sector organisations during December 2017. This was the start of an ongoing dialogue that would continue throughout the year as budget proposals were developed further. Engagement with the business community and other partners commenced in January 2018 and would also be part of an ongoing dialogue.

Attached to the report were a number of appendices, including savings proposals, Impact Assessments of the savings proposals, the Pay Policy Statement 2018/19, analysis of base budget movements, and details of Reserves and Balances.

As part of the provisional settlement from Government, it had been announced that on a one-off basis for 2018/19 Councils would be allowed to increase Council Tax by an additional 1% (equating to £0.6m in Telford & Wrekin) before a referendum was held. However, due to the economic challenges faced by many local residents, the Council was proposing to continue with its strategy of increasing Council Tax over the next two years by 3.2% pa.

The Council's Chief Financial Officer was required to give a view on the robustness of the Council's financial strategy, including the use of balances, and this was appended to the report. This had concluded that the Council was pursuing a sound financial strategy in the context of the most prolonged and challenging financial position it had ever faced due to the combined effect of Government grant cuts and increased service pressures.

The report on the Capital Programme presented the Council's Capital Strategy for 2017/18 – 2020/21 and later years and a capital programme of £254m that included the proposed investments contained in the overall budget strategy. It also set out the Council's Asset Management Plan and planned building maintenance programme, particularly focusing on 2018/19, and the three year Highways and Transport capital investment programme.

The report on the Treasury Management Strategy detailed the Treasury Strategy to be adopted for 2018/19. The Strategy was set within the parameters of relevant statute, guidance and accounting standards. It was expected the Council would borrow up to £43.3m in 2018/19 based on the current capital programme plans, and would adopt a flexible approach to borrowing. The report also provided an update on the treasury management activities during 2017/18. The weighted average return on internal investments at the end of December 2017 was 0.19% compared to a benchmark return for the period of 0.19%. The report also included the Council's Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement, which overall was in line with that previously agreed. However, the Department for Communities and Local Government had issued a consultation paper on proposed changes to the Prudential Framework of Capital Finance which included proposals which would impact on MRP. Until the changes were finalised, it was not possible to assess any financial implications for the Council.

The report on Prudential Indicators sought approval of the prudential indicators for 2018/19 to 2020/21 required under the Prudential Code of Capital Finance in Local Authorities.

Having been moved by Councillor Carter, the budget proposals were seconded by the Leader of the Council, Councillor S Davies.

Councillor A J Eade, Leader of the main opposition group, responded to the budget proposals commenting on the levels of debt, £3.7m funding from central government, and expenditure on Telford's 50th Anniversary celebrations in the context of budget cuts and savings. He supported the principle of the Capital Investment scheme but emphasised the need to involve local Ward Members.

Councillor W L Tomlinson, Leader of the Liberal Democrat/Independent group welcomed the budget and its brave stand and thanks staff for their ongoing commitment. In particular he commented on pressures within Adult Social Care and provided some context around the Council's borrowing to invest.

A number of members spoke both for and against the proposed budget. In particular, a number of speakers emphasised that the budget proposals were to protect services for the most vulnerable people in the longer term. Members speaking against the budget proposals raised concerns over proposed borrowing and associated risks, and sought a redirection of Pride funds to Highways.

Councillor Carter responded at the end of the debate and a vote was taken on the budget proposals in reports D1 and D4 and the proposals were carried.

In accordance with legal requirements and Council Procedure Rule 11.5 a recorded vote was taken to approve recommendations in report D5 (Council Tax setting).

Voting was as follows:

For (31)

*Councillors K T Blundell, A J Burford, L D Carter, G K Cook, S Davies,
A R H England, N A M England, R C Evans, C A Furnival, K R Guy, J Jones,*

J Loveridge, C N Mason, A D McClements, R Mehta, J C Minor, L A Murray, R A Overton, J Pinter, G C W Reynolds, S A W Reynolds, S J Reynolds, K S Sahota, P J Scott, R J Sloan, C F Smith, M J Smith, K T Tomlinson, W L Tomlinson, C R Turley, and P R Watling

Against (0)

Abstentions (13)

Councillors S L Barnes, S Bentley, S P Burrell, E J Carter, N A Dugmore, A J Eade, I T W Fletcher, J A Francis, E J Greenaway, M B Hosken, R T Kiernan, A Lawrence, and B D Tillotson

RESOLVED – that

(i) Service and Financial Planning 2018/19 to 2019/20

- (a) a two year service and financial planning strategy linked to the period of the CSR and the local authority funding settlement from the Ministry for Housing, Communities & Local Government be agreed;**
- (b) the previous decision that Council Tax should be increased by 3.2% (made up of 2% in respect of the Government's Adult Social Care Precept and a general Council Tax increase of 1.2%) in both 2018/19 and 2019/20 be reaffirmed;**
- (c) a further £2.226m (the equivalent of a 3.7% council tax increase) be invested into Adult Social Care services in 2018/19 rising to a cumulative ongoing £3.509m new investment in 2020/21. In total the Council will be investing an additional £6.5m in to Adult Social Care over the next 3 years;**
- (d) £1.9m be invested in Children's Safeguarding & Early Help services in 2018/19 and £0.75m in 2019/20, a cumulative increase in budget of £2.65m;**
- (e) £1m of usable one-off resources be earmarked to create an additional one-off budget contingency in 2018/19 to be available to support the full implementation of the cost improvement plans for Children's Safeguarding & Early Help and Adult Social Care;**
- (f) additional budget savings totalling £6.852m be made in 2018/19 rising to a cumulative total of £12.580m in 2019/20 as detailed in Appendices 4 and 5 of the report;**
- (g) a measured approach be taken to the use of available one-off resources of £3.334m in 2018/19 and £3.157m in 2019/20 to seek to cushion the impact of continuing Government cuts in council funding;**
- (h) the commitment to continue to work with partner organisations, including Town & Parish Councils and Voluntary Sector and Community Groups to seek to identify ways to mitigate the impact of some of the**

cuts to services that we can no longer afford and to note the availability of the £744,000 Partnership Capacity Fund be noted;

- (i) in order to further support these discussions and the delivery of other future savings to approve the transfer of the £1m superannuation benefit referred to in section 5.1 the Financial Management report, also on this agenda, to the Invest to Save/Capacity Fund;**
- (j) the Pay Policy for 2018/19 included as Appendix 3 of the report which has already been recommended by the Personnel Committee be approved;**
- (k) the overall service and financial planning strategy set out in this report and the base budget in Appendix 7 of the report be approved;**
- (l) the policy framework for Reserves and Balances outlined in Appendix 9 of the report be approved;**
- (m) the CFO's robustness statement contained in Appendix 11 of the report be noted;**
- (n) the Risk Register contained in Appendix 16 of the report be approved;**
- (o) the revenue implications of the medium term capital programme for the period 2017/18 – 2020/21 set out in the Capital Programme report at appendix E2 of the agenda be approved;**
- (p) authority be delegated to the Assistant Director: Finance & Human Resources to action any virements required following the final allocation of the Dedicated Schools Grant and other related Grants as long as they are within the budget and policy framework;**
- (q) authority be delegated to the Assistant Director: Early Help & Support, in consultation with the Cabinet Member: Adult Social Care, to enter into appropriate Section 256 and Section 75 Agreements under the NHS Act 2006 (as amended);**
- (r) the Assistant Director: Legal, Procurement & Commissioning be authorised to execute all necessary contract documentation including the affixing of the common seal of the council as appropriate to enable the council to enter into appropriate Section 256 and Section 75 Agreements under the NHS Act 2006;**
- (s) should any late changes be announced as part of the final Revenue Support Grant settlement, authority to adjust the level of the planned use of one-off resources in 2018/19 to compensate be delegated to the Chief Financial Officer after consultation with the Cabinet Member for Council Finance, Commercial Services & Economic Development;**
- (t) this suite of service and financial planning reports be approved as the Council's Efficiency Strategy for 2018/19, including the summary**

document at Appendix 15, to enable new capital receipts generated in the six year period starting 1 April 2016 to be used to fund the revenue costs of reform as assumed throughout these reports; and

- (u) the projections for the potential budget gap in 2020/21 be noted and work start now in order to identify options for how this will be bridged as these savings will be more challenging than those previously agreed by the Council given that they come on top of the £110m of savings already made and may therefore have a significant lead time before spending reductions are delivered.

(ii) 2020/21: Capital Programme

- (a) the report and associated capital estimates for 2017/18 and 2018/19 – 2020/21, which incorporates the Capital Strategy, the Capital Programme (Annex I), the Planned Building Maintenance Programme (Annex II), and Asset Management Plan (Annex III) and the three year Highways and Transport capital investment programme (Annex IV) be approved;
- (b) authority be delegated to the Assistant Director: Development, Business & Employment to deliver the planned programme of works within the Asset Management Plan and to the Assistant Director: Neighbourhood & Customer Services to deliver the Highways and Transport capital investment programme in line with the approved budgets with any variations or changes to schemes in these programmes, that remain within overall approved budgets, after consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Members; and
- (c) it be noted that following changes to the Prudential Code in late December, the Council is required to approve a summary Capital Strategy before the end of 2018/19. This will be presented to Full Council for consideration and approval during 2018/19 once final guidance has been received.

(iii) 2018/19 Treasury Strategy and Treasury Update Report

- (a) the treasury management activities for the first half year be noted;
- (b) the Treasury Management Policy Statement contained at Appendix A of the report be noted;
- (c) the Treasury Strategy, including the Annual Investment Strategy for 2018/19 together with the associated treasury Prudential Indicators and the Minimum Revenue Provision Statement, which will apply from 2018/19 onwards be approved; and
- (d) authority be delegated to the Council's Section 151 Officer, after consultation with the Chair of Audit Committee and the Cabinet Member for Finance, Commercial Services & Economic Development to make any amendments required arising from the proposed changes to the Prudential Framework of Capital Finance.

(iv) Prudential Indicators

- (a) the prudential indicators proposed in this report as part of setting the budget for 2018/19 be approved; and
- (b) authority be delegated to the Council's Section 151 Officer, after consultation with the Chair of the Audit Committee and the Cabinet Member for Finance, Commercial Services & Economic Development to make any amendments required arising from the potential changes to the Prudential Code for Capital Finance

(v) Council Tax – Formal Resolutions for 2018/19

- (a) the formal resolutions to determine the levels of Council Tax for 2018/19 as detailed in the report be approved.

81. Questions

In light of adverse weather conditions, the meeting agreed that questions would be dealt with by way of written response.

- (i) Councillor Peter Scott asked the following question of Councillor Shaun Davies, Leader

"Now that the Police and Crime Commissioner has agreed to help with funding to implement Civil Parking Enforcement can Cllr Davies give us a more specific timetable on implementation and confirm the Council's willingness to take on this much needed process?"

- (ii) Councillor Eric Carter asked the following question of Councillor Shaun Davies, Leader

"Whilst welcoming the press release regarding the Council's support for adopting CPE does the Leader accept that this was due to the initiative from the Conservative Group, following the motion put forward in Summer 2016 followed by two Scrutiny Committees, where Cllr Lowery and myself suggested that the PCC needed to put in additional funding to help bring this about?."

82. Notices of Motion

Councillor L D Carter moved, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 7, the following Motion:-

"This Council notes with concern the attempted hostile takeover of GKN by Melrose PLC which threatens the jobs of many high skilled manufacturing workers, their pension funds and the supply chain.

We call upon the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to use his powers under the Enterprise Act 2002 and intervene in the public interest to

block any sale which is against the long term interests of the Company and its workforce.”

The Motion was seconded by Councillor S Davies.

Members were unanimously in support.

RESOLVED - that the Motion be approved.

83. Closure Motion

RESOLVED – that in light of adverse weather conditions, the remaining business of the meeting be adjourned to a date to be agreed by Group Leaders.

The meeting ended at 7.00pm

Mayor:

Date:

BOROUGH OF TELFORD & WREKIN

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Borough of Telford & Wrekin held on Tuesday, 10 April 2018 at 6.00pm at The Place, Oakengates, Telford

Present:

Councillors J C Ashford, S L Barnes, S Bentley, K T Blundell, M Boylan A J Burford, S P Burrell, E J Carter, L D Carter, G K Cook, N A Dugmore, A J Eade, A R H England, R C Evans, I T W Fletcher, V A Fletcher, J A Francis, C A Furnival, E J Greenaway, K R Guy, M B Hosken, J Jones, R T Kiernan, A Lawrence, J Loveridge, N C Lowery, C N Mason, A D McClements, R Mehta, A A Meredith, J C Minor, L A Murray, T J Nelson, R A Overton, J Pinter, G C W Reynolds, S A W Reynolds, S J Reynolds (Mayor), H Rhodes, K S Sahota, P J Scott, J M Seymour, C F Smith (Speaker), M J Smith, K T Tomlinson, W L Tomlinson, C R Turley, P R Watling and D G Wright

84. Apologies for Absence

Councillors E A Clare, S Davies, N A M England, R J Sloan and B D Tillotson

85. Declarations of Interest

None.

86. Inquiry into Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) in Telford & Wrekin

Councillor A J Eade moved, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 8.12, the following altered Motion:-

“This Meeting requests that the Cabinet of Telford & Wrekin Council approve the commissioning and implementation of a ‘non-statutory’ Independent Inquiry into all aspects of historical and current instances of CSE within the Borough.

This Meeting also requests the Cabinet to instruct Council Officers to commission such an Inquiry immediately.

This Meeting also notes that such a ‘non-statutory’ Inquiry will allow the opportunity for victims and survivors to give evidence in private and free from any other pressures or interference. Such arrangements will hopefully also encourage other victims to come forward.”

The Motion was seconded by Councillor N A Dugmore.

A robust and lengthy debate then ensued. Whilst all speeches supported the Motion, some notes of caution were emphasised about the limitations of a Council commissioned inquiry as opposed to the much broader powers of the government sponsored national Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) as set out to Cabinet on 29 March 2018 in the report ‘Tackling CSE Together’. It was particularly noted that a local inquiry would have no power to compel external agencies to give evidence or for witnesses to provide evidence under oath and that the historic nature of potential cases pre-dated this Council and, again, a local inquiry would have no power to

compel former employees to take part. These limitations suggested, therefore, that a local inquiry may not be able to deliver the answers that victims, survivors and their families deserved. Despite this apprehension, there was a strong voice of unanimity that “any inquiry is better than no inquiry”. Some Members also exercised the view that, whilst the imminent arrival of the Truth Project (which sought to record the experiences of victims and survivors as part of IICSA) was welcomed, a local inquiry would report at a much earlier stage and would ensure that victims and survivors would get the support they deserved at an earlier stage. Some Members also levelled criticism at any agencies or individuals who failed to engage with a local inquiry.

During the debate, some Members reflected on their understanding of CSE and the experiences which had been shared with them personally, in their role as Ward Councillors or as Members of the Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee. The Speaker also allowed a statement written by a local survivors group about the horrific abuse endured by victims and the reasons why a local inquiry was being called for to be read out.

Attention was also drawn to the nationally acclaimed efforts that were currently taking place to protect children at risk and prosecute perpetrators, particularly through the work of the Council’s Children Abused Through Exploitation (CATE) Team and several Members commended the dedication of the Team.

Victims, survivors and their families were urged to engage with both the local Inquiry and the Truth Project.

At the end of the debate, a vote was taken on the Motion which was unanimously CARRIED. In accordance with Committee Procedure Rule 9.5, a recorded vote on the motion was taken, the voting being as follows:

For (49):

Councillors J C Ashford, S L Barnes, S Bentley, K T Blundell, M Boylan A J Burford, S P Burrell, E J Carter, L D Carter, G K Cook, N A Dugmore, A J Eade, A R H England, R C Evans, I T W Fletcher, V A Fletcher, J A Francis, C A Furnival, E J Greenaway, K R Guy, M B Hosken, J Jones, R T Kiernan, A Lawrence, J Loveridge, N C Lowery, C N Mason, A D McClements, R Mehta, A A Meredith, J C Minor, L A Murray, T J Nelson, R A Overton, J Pinter, G C W Reynolds, S A W Reynolds, S J Reynolds, H Rhodes, K S Sahota, P J Scott, J M Seymour, C F Smith, M J Smith, K T Tomlinson, W L Tomlinson, C R Turley, P R Watling and D G Wright

Against (0)

Abstentions (0)

RESOLVED – that the Motion be approved.

The meeting ended at 7.20pm

Following the conclusion of the meeting, the Speaker provided an opportunity for the public to address the meeting and Lucy Allan MP for Telford took the floor to applaud the campaign efforts of local CSE survivor ‘Holly Archer’ (a pseudonym) and thanked the meeting for the outcome.

Mayor:

Date:

BOROUGH OF TELFORD & WREKIN

Minutes of the Meeting of the Borough of Telford & Wrekin held on Tuesday, 10 April 2018 at 7.50pm at The Place, Oakengates, Telford to consider business adjourned on 1 March 2018

Present:

Councillors J C Ashford, S L Barnes, S Bentley, K T Blundell, M Boylan, A J Burford, S P Burrell, E J Carter, L D Carter, G K Cook, N A Dugmore, A J Eade, A R H England, R C Evans, I T W Fletcher, V A Fletcher, J A Francis, C A Furnival, E J Greenaway, M B Hosken, J Jones, R T Kiernan, A Lawrence, J Loveridge, N C Lowery, C N Mason, A D McClements, R Mehta, A A Meredith, J C Minor, L A Murray, T J Nelson, R A Overton, J Pinter, G C W Reynolds, S A W Reynolds, S J Reynolds (Mayor), H Rhodes, K S Sahota, P J Scott, J M Seymour, C F Smith (Speaker), M J Smith, K T Tomlinson, W L Tomlinson, C R Turley, P R Watling and D G Wright

87. Apologies for Absence

Councillors E A Clare, S Davies, N A M England, K R Guy, R J Sloan and B D Tillotson

88. Declarations of Interest

Councillors A J Burford, S P Burrell and H Rhodes declared an interest in minute number 90(i) and 90(ii) due to their membership of the Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

89. Recommendations from Cabinet

Cabinet – 15 February 2018

(i) Driving Delivery of the Council's Priorities

Councillor R C Evans, Cabinet Member: Customer Services, Tourism & Partnerships, presented the report of the Managing Director. The report presented a refreshed Council Plan (Appendix 1 to the report) which set out the organisation's priorities as identified through consultation with residents and partners, analysis of performance delivering existing priorities and analysis of 'community need'. The Plan set out how the organisation would need to continue to transform to deliver on the priorities whilst also delivering significant savings. Despite the £110m+ savings the organisation had been required to make and with an ongoing budget position that was very challenging, the Plan demonstrated that the Council remained focussed on delivering the community's priorities for the Borough. The report went on to highlight the headline messages mid-year for 2017/18 against each priority with further detail set out in Appendix 2 of the report.

Comments were made on the report relating to the new 0-25 Emotional Health and Wellbeing Service, the continuance of Parish Environment Teams (PET) in light of

changing contracts, educational attainment, the requirement to have a Plan, and the need to lobby MPs to ensure that sufficient funding was available to protect vulnerable children and adults from harm.

Upon being put to the vote it was, by a majority of 28 Members in favour (23 Labour, 3 Liberal Democrat/Independent and 1 non-aligned):-

RESOLVED - that

- (a) the Council Plan be approved; and**
- (b) the in-year performance against the Council's priorities be considered and noted.**

90. Notices of Motion

- (i) In the absence of the Leader, Councillor R A Overton noted that since the submission of the Motion, there had been considerable progression in the pursuance of Future Fit and, with the consent of the seconder, he withdrew the Motion.
- (ii) Councillor A J Eade lamented the late consideration of the Motion but, also noting the progression which had been made to Future Fit and, with the consent of the Seconder, he withdrew the Motion.

The meeting ended at 8.15pm

Mayor:

Date:



TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

ANNUAL COUNCIL – 24 MAY 2018

APPOINTMENT OF CABINET FOR THE 2018/19 MUNICIPAL YEAR

REPORT OF THE LEADER

Cabinet Member	Area of Responsibility
Cllr S Davies	Leader and Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services and the Pride in Our Community Programme
Cllr R A Overton	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Communities, Housing and Enforcement
Cllr L D Carter	Cabinet Member for Finance, Commercial Services and Economic Development
Cllr A R H England	Cabinet Member for Public, Mental and Physical Health and Wellbeing
Cllr R C Evans	Cabinet Member for People Services, Tourism and Partnerships
Cllr H Rhodes	Cabinet Member for Transport, Roads and Broadband
Cllr J C Minor	Cabinet Member for Leisure, Green Spaces and Parks
Cllr S A W Reynolds	Cabinet Member for Employment, Education and Life Long Learning
Cllr P R Watling	Cabinet Member for Cabinet Member for Children & Adults Early Help & Support (Statutory Lead Member for Children and Young People)

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL**ANNUAL COUNCIL – 24 MAY 2018****PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS****REPORT OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GOVERNANCE, PROCUREMENT & COMMISSIONING**

The proposed ordinary meetings of the Council, its Committees and Boards for the 2018/19 municipal year are as follows:

	2018								2019				
	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Full Council	24 AGM		26		20		22		17	28			23 AGM
Cabinet*	31		12		13	18	15	13	3	14	14		
Audit Committee	29		24						29				28
Boundary Review Committee						11				7			
Health & Well Being Board#		6			12			6			21		
Licensing Committee		11				30			22		19		
Personnel Committee									31				
Planning Committee		13	4,25	15	5,26	24	14	5	9,30	20	13	3,24	
Standards Committee		26								5			
Scrutiny Management Board		5			4			4			12		
Children & Young People Scrutiny			16			9		11		12			
Customer, Community & Partnership Scrutiny			23			22		17		4			
Finance & Enterprise Scrutiny									8,15 21				
Health & Adult Care Scrutiny#			9			16		18		26			

All meetings commence at 6.00pm unless indicated as follows:-

* Meeting commences at 5.00pm

Meeting commences at 2.00pm

Scrutiny Management Board and Scrutiny Committee meetings have been programmed subject to confirmation with the Scrutiny Chairs. Additional Scrutiny Committee meetings may be programmed following consideration and agreement of the Scrutiny Work Programme for 2018/19.

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Meetings of the Appeals Committee, Council Constitution Committee, Boundary Review Committee, and Personnel Committee will be scheduled as required following consultation with the relevant Chairman.