

Shropshire Council
Legal and Democratic Services
Shirehall
Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
SY2 6ND

Date: Wednesday, 11 December 2019

Committee: Council

Date: Thursday, 19 December 2019

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Council Chamber, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter
Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Ann Hartley (Chairman)
Peter Nutting (Leader)
Vince Hunt (Speaker)
Steve Charmley (Deputy
Leader)
Peter Adams
Roy Aldcroft
Clare Aspinall
Nicholas Bardsley
Joyce Barrow
Thomas Biggins
Ed Bird
Andy Boddington
Gwendoline Burgess
Gwilym Butler
Karen Calder
Dean Carroll
Lee Chapman
Ted Clarke
Gerald Dakin
Steve Davenport
Julian Dean
Pauline Dee
David Evans
Roger Evans
Hannah Fraser

Rob Gittins
Nat Green
Kate Halliday
Simon Harris
Nigel Hartin
Nick Hignett
Ruth Houghton
Richard Huffer
Tracey Huffer
Roger Hughes
Ioan Jones
Simon Jones
Mark Jones
Heather Kidd
Christian Lea
Matt Lee
Elliott Lynch
Robert Macey
Jane MacKenzie
Chris Mellings
Paul Milner
David Minnery
Dan Morris
Pamela Moseley
Alan Mosley
Cecilia Motley

Peggy Mullock
Kevin Pardy
William Parr
Vivienne Parry
Tony Parsons
Malcolm Pate
Alexander Phillips
Lezley Picton
Ed Potter
John Price
Keith Roberts
Madge Shineton
Robert Tindall
Dave Tremellen
Kevin Turley
David Turner
David Vasmer
Claire Wild
Brian Williams
Leslie Winwood
Michael Wood
Tina Woodward
Paul Wynn

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

3 Minutes (Pages 1 - 14)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 September 2019.

4 Announcements

To receive such communications as the Chairman, Speaker, Leader and Head of Paid Service may desire to lay before the Council.

5 Public Questions

To receive any questions from the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14.

A petition, bearing over 1,000 signatures, has been received from Mr Frank Oldaker on behalf of Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth, requesting a debate under the Council's Petition Scheme. Mr Oldaker will be in attendance to present the petition.

The wording of the petition reads: We the undersigned petition the Council to agree a target date of 2030 for achieving 'net carbon zero' emissions from the council's activities, and to design an action plan in accordance with this target. We welcome the council's declaration of a climate emergency and commitment to work towards net zero greenhouse gas emissions for the council's activities and for the county. But time is short.

The petitioner will be allowed 5 minutes to outline their case, after which there may be a debate of up to 15 minutes.

6 Climate Change Strategy Framework (Pages 15 - 36)

Report of the Director of Place is attached.

Contact: Mark Barrow Tel 01743 258671

7 Setting the Council Tax Taxbase for 2020/21 (Pages 37 - 64)

Report of the Director of Finance, Governance and Assurance is attached.

Contact: James Walton Tel 01743 258915

8 County Wide Street Lighting LED Lantern Replacement Project. (Carbon Reduction Programme) (Pages 65 - 86)

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9 Local Government Act 1972, Section 101 Proposed definitive Map Modification Order to Upgrade Footpath 18, 18Y & 18Z to Bridleway Status and the Addition of Three Bridleways in the Parish of Wroxeter and Uppington. Acceptance of the Delegation to Telford and Wrekin Council to Investigate and make the Order on Our Behalf (Pages 87 - 92)

Report of the Director of Place is attached.

Contact: Mark Barrow Tel 01743 258671

10 Proposed Removal of Licensing Act Hearing Procedure from the Council's Constitution (Pages 93 - 96)

Director of Public Health's report is attached.

Contact: Rachel Robinson Tel 01743 252003

11 Portfolio Holder Report for Housing and Strategic Planning

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Strategic Planning is **to follow**.

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Robert Macey

12 Report of the Portfolio Holder Finance and Corporate Support (Pages 97 - 106)

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Corporate Support is attached.

Portfolio Holder: Councillor David Minnery

13 Annual Report 2018/19 - Place Overview Committee (Pages 107 - 110)

The annual report of the Chair of the Place Overview Committee is attached.

Place Overview Committee Chair: Councillor Joyce Barrow

14 Annual Report 2018/2019 - Performance Management Scrutiny Committee (Pages 111 - 114)

The annual report of the Chair of the Performance Management Scrutiny Committee is attached.

Performance Management Scrutiny Committee Chair: Councillor Claire Wild

15 Appointments to Committees

To confirm the following changes of membership:

Northern Planning Committee

Cllr Roger Evans to replace Cllr Hannah Fraser as a substitute member of the Northern Planning Committee.

16 Motions

The following motions have been received in accordance with Procedure Rule 16:

1 The following motion has been received from Councillor Dan Morris and supported by the Conservative Group:

This Council supports the principle of a 20 mph speed limit outside all schools in the county and asks officers to bring a report to Council within 6 months to consider how this could be implemented.

2. The following motion has been received from Councillor Karen Calder and is supported by the Conservative Group

The RBL is encouraging councils across the country to adopt the practice of offering all ex service men and women the opportunity of an interview for jobs becoming available within the authority, of course they have to have meet the basic criteria. Kirklees is the latest council to adopt this and was agreed cross party. The motion would be something in line with below.

“This Council recognises the invaluable contribution made to our community and country by members of the Armed services, the life and professional skills they gain through military service and our debt to them in perpetuity.

This Council also recognises that their service whilst equipping them with many practical skills does not always equip them with administrative and literary skills needed to satisfy some of today’s initial employment application questionnaires and procedures.

This Council therefore commits to offering all former service personnel a guaranteed interview for any vacancy applied for where they meet the essential criteria and will encourage our arm’s length partner organisations and the wider Shropshire business community to also offer interviews.”

3 The following motion has been received from Councillor Andy Boddington and supported by Councillors Julian Dean, Heather Kidd, Nigel Hartin and Chris Mellings

In July, the Committee on Climate Change recommended that the UK plants 30,000 hectares of trees a year. The committee warned that if carbon reduction measures are not delivered rapidly, we will need to plant 50,000 hectares a year. In November, the UN Environment Programme called for a faster reduction in greenhouse gases. There is a consensus that planting trees can help us achieve the UK's goal of net zero by 2050 at the latest.

Woodlands have many benefits. They create a carbon reservoir that helps slow climate change. They boost wildlife and help promote public health. Woodlands are a major economic resource, providing material for construction and power. Woodlands support jobs.

Well managed broadleaf woodlands promote biodiversity. They boost tourism. They are a public good.

No one doubts that doubling woodland cover will be a major challenge. Introducing a public money for public goods system to support farmers and landowners requires national legislation. Local authorities have limited resources and expertise is thinly spread. But there is potential for groups of local authorities to work together, supported by wildlife charities and experts, to develop regional policies for increasing woodland cover. Councils either side of Offa's Dyke through the Marches would be ideal partners.

This council requests its leader and the portfolio holder for climate change to work with other local authorities to develop plans to double woodland cover in the Marches by 2050.

4 The following motion has been received from Councillor Chris Mellings and supported by Councillors Ruth Houghton, Nigel Hartin, David Vasmer, Andy Boddington, Heather Kidd and Roger Evans.

“Fireworks are used by people throughout the year to mark different events. While they bring much enjoyment to some people, they can cause significant problems and fear for other people and animals. They can be a source of fear and distress for many animals (including pets, farm livestock and wildlife). Animals affected not only suffer psychological distress but can also cause themselves injuries – sometimes very serious ones – as they attempt to run away or hide from the noise. Many residents have raised concern about the impact of fireworks on animals in particular.

In response to the concerns, Council therefore resolves:

To encourage all public firework displays within Shropshire being appropriately advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people

To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people (including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks)

To encourage events to consider the use of silent displays with music for the youngest children and to protect animals

To compile and display on its website and via social media, a list of public firework displays with appropriate information to enable residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people

To make representations to the Government via the relevant Portfolio Holder urging it to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays

To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock “quieter” fireworks for public display”

5 The following motion has been received from Councillor Roger Evans and supported by the Liberal Democrat Group:

Lib Dem motion on 20mph 17 December 2019

Many councils have or are in the process of implementing wide area 20mph speed limits on residential and urban roads without traffic calming.

Many bodies with a remit for public health support a reduction in speed limits to 20mph on residential streets. Wide area 20mph limits rarely need traffic calming measures. They are an affordable way to improve health equality by creating child, disability, elderly and dementia friendly streetscapes that help reduce inactivity, obesity and isolation.

Implementing wide area 20mph limits must be a core part of Shropshire Council's public health strategy.

This council requests the Director of Public Health and Director of Place bring a report to council by May 2020 setting out the parameters and timetable for introducing area wide 20mph limits across Shropshire's towns and major villages.

17 Questions from Members (Pages 115 - 124)

To receive any questions from Members, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2.

18 Exclusion of Press and Public

To resolve in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and Paragraph 10.4[3] of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules, the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following items.

19 Exempt Minutes of 19th September 2019 (Pages 125 - 130)

To approve as a correct record the exempt minutes of the Council meeting held on 19th September 2019.

20 Shrewsbury Shopping Centres - Pride Hill Repurposing

Exempt report of the Director of Place **will follow**.

Contact: Mark Barrow Tel: 01743 258919

21 Shopping Centres Holding Structures Review (Pages 131 - 142)

Exempt report of the Director of Finance, Governance and Assurance [Section 151 Officer] attached.

Contact: James Walton Tel: 01743 258915

22 Strategic Property Acquisition - Oswestry Central (Pages 143 - 164)

Exempt report of the Director of Place is attached.

Contact: Mark Barrow Tel 01743 258919

23 Shrewsbury Schools Place Planning

Report of Director of Children's Services is **to follow**.

Contact: Karen Bradshaw Tel: 01743 254201

24 Ludlow Assembly Rooms Budget

Exempt report of Director of Place is **to follow**.

Contact: Mark Barrow Tel: 01743 258671