

Meeting of the Future Council Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday, 24th November, 2021 at 6.00pm
In Committee Room 2, Council House, Priory Road, Dudley

Agenda - Public Session **(Meeting open to the public and press)**

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To report the appointment of any substitute members serving for this meeting of the Committee.
3. To receive any declarations of interest under the Members' Code of Conduct.
4. To confirm and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 6th October, 2021 as a correct record.
5. Public Forum
6. Regenerating Dudley – Presentation (Pages 1 – 15)
7. Wednesbury to Brierley Hill Metro Extension Update – Presentation (Pages 16 - 27)
8. Scrutiny Review - Black Country Plan (Pages 28 - 32)
9. To consider any questions from Members to the Chair where two clear days notice has been given to the Monitoring Officer (Council Procedure Rule 11.8).





Chief Executive

Dated: 11th November, 2021

Distribution:

Councillor A Lees (Chair)

Councillor E Lawrence (Vice-Chair)

Councillors S Ali, C Barnett, D Corfield, J Cowell, A Davies, P Dobb, J Foster, Z Islam, J Roberts, M Rogers and S Saleem

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Covid-19 Secure Working

Hands

- Hand sanitiser and antibacterial wipes are available at various locations in the Council House. Please ensure you sanitise your hands when arriving and leaving the building. Hand washing facilities are also available on site.

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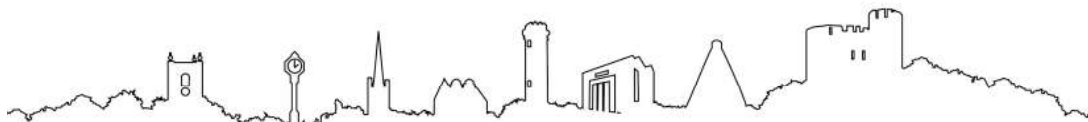
- Please remember to bring and use your own face masks. The Council has a supply of surgical masks for use in meetings.
- Face masks may be safely removed when you are seated in the meeting if there is 2 meters of space between people and the room is well ventilated. If there is 1 meter (or less) it is advised that a surgical mask is worn.

Space

- Seating in the meeting rooms is arranged to allow for safe distancing. You must only use the designated seating. Remember to maintain safe distancing at all times during your visit.
- Seating in the public gallery is currently restricted and will be allocated on a 'first come' basis.
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If you are unwell

- Do not attend the Council House if you feel unwell; if you have tested positive for Covid-19; if you are self-isolating or if you suspect that you are symptomatic.
- You are advised to undertake a lateral flow test 48 hours before attending. If the test is positive, do not attend the meeting.



Toilets

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No smoking

- There is no smoking on the Council House premises in line with national legislation. It is an offence to smoke in or on the premises. You cannot use e-cigarettes and/or similar vaping devices.

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- In the event of the alarms sounding, please leave the building by the nearest exit. There are Officers who will assist you in the event of this happening, please follow their instructions.

Submitting Apologies for Absence

- Elected Members can submit apologies by contacting Democratic Services (see our contact details below). Members wishing to appoint a substitute should notify Democratic Services as soon as possible in advance of the meeting. Any substitute Members must be eligible to serve on the meeting in question (for example, he/she must have received the training required by the Council).

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General

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