

## **Annual Meeting of the Council**

**Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 at 6.00pm  
in the Council Chamber,  
at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley**

You are hereby summoned to attend the annual meeting of the Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the numbered agenda items listed below.

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

1. To elect the Mayor of the Borough for the 2022/23 Municipal Year
2. The Mayor to make and subscribe to the required declaration
3. To elect the Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the 2022/23 Municipal Year

*Note: There will be a short adjournment to enable robing to take place*

4. The Deputy Mayor to make and subscribe to the required declaration

*Note: There will be speeches by the new and former Mayor and the presentation of badges*

5. Apologies for absence
6. **Minutes**

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2022

7. Mayor's announcements
8. To receive any declarations of interest under the Members' Code of Conduct

9. Leader of the Council (Pages 1 – 2)
10. Appointment and Membership of the Cabinet and Committees for 2022/23 and related matters (Pages 3 – 12)
11. Constitution and Scheme of Delegation (Pages 13 – 15)
12. Programme of Meetings for 2022/23 (Pages 16 – 24)
13. Appointments/Nominations to Other Bodies (Pages 25 – 26)
14. To consider any business not on the agenda which by reason of special circumstances the Mayor is of the opinion should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972



**Kevin O'Keefe**  
**Chief Executive**

**Dated: 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2022**

Distribution:

All Members of the Council

## **Please note the following concerning meetings at Dudley Council House:**

### **Health and Safety**

- Windows/doors will be opened to provide adequate ventilation.
- Please ensure you sanitise your hands when arriving and leaving the building. Hand washing facilities are also available on site.
- Hand sanitiser and antibacterial wipes are available at various locations.
- All persons entering or working in the Council House are encouraged to wear face masks in communal areas and when moving around the building.
- Face masks may be removed when you are participating in the meeting.
- All people attending are encouraged to undertake Lateral Flow Tests twice a week. Anyone testing positive should not attend and should seek further advice.
- Do not attend 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.
- All people are encouraged to be vaccinated to limit any potential ill-health effects.
- Please be respectful of everyone's personal space and preferences when you attend meetings.

### **Public Gallery**

- Seating in the public gallery is subject to limits on capacity and will be allocated on a 'first come' basis.

### **Toilets**

- Toilet facilities are available on site. All the toilets have hand washing facilities.

### **No smoking**

- There is no smoking on the 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.

### **In Case of Emergency**

- 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.



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## Recording and Reporting

- The use of mobile devices or electronic facilities is permitted for the purposes of recording/reporting during the public session of the meeting. The use of any such devices must not disrupt the meeting – Please turn off any ringtones or set your devices to silent.
- The meeting will be recorded and broadcast on the Council's YouTube Channel. The webcast can be viewed by clicking on the following link  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/dudleymbc>

## General

- Public Wi-Fi is available in the Council House.
- Information about the Council and our meetings can be viewed on the website [www.dudley.gov.uk](http://www.dudley.gov.uk)

## If you need advice or assistance

- If you (or anyone you know) requires assistance to access the venue, or if you have any other queries, please contact Democratic Services - Telephone 01384 815238 or E-mail [Democratic.Services@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:Democratic.Services@dudley.gov.uk)

