



SWINDON BOROUGH COUNCIL
Municipal Year 2015/16

Thursday, 14 April 2016

**COUNCIL CHAMBER
CIVIC OFFICES
SWINDON**

6 April 2016

Dear Councillor,

Summons to attend Council Meeting

A MEETING of the **Council**, which you are requested to attend, is to be held at the CIVIC OFFICES, SWINDON, on **Thursday, 14 April 2016 at 7.00 p.m.**

The business to be transacted will be as follows:-

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Communications**
To receive any communications or letters which the Mayor or Chief Executive may have to bring before the Council.
- 3. Minutes** (Pages 5 - 16)
To receive the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25th February 2016.
- 4. Declarations of Interest**
Members are reminded that at the start of the meeting they should declare any known interests in any matter to be considered, and also during the meeting if it

becomes apparent that they have an interest in the matters being discussed.

5. Public Question Time

See explanatory note below.

6. Minute for Confirmation (Pages 17 - 42)

To consider a Minute for Confirmation from the Cabinet.

- Minute 78 (Treasury Strategy Statement 2016/17).

7. Council Petition Scheme (Pages 43 - 48)

To consider any petition received in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.

8. Motions

(a) **Motion - Community Governance Review**
Councillor Steve Allsopp will move:

"This Council notes:

- The Community Governance Review notes that the first stage of the Council's Community Governance Review has now been completed.
- That despite the efforts of the Council and Councillors to raise awareness of the Community Governance Review, many residents in the borough are still unaware of the impact the parishing of non-parished areas of the Borough would have on their Council-Tax bills and provision of local services.
- The growing number of residents who have signed petitions and expressed to councillors that they want any council decision to parish the non-parished areas of the Borough to be based on the outcome of a local poll amongst voters in the non-parished areas.

Council urges Cabinet, before the Council's Community Governance Review is concluded, to commission a poll of voters in the non-parished areas in the borough asking if they wish their area to be turned in to a parish or not to help inform the outcome of the Community Governance Review."

(b) **Motion - Public Liability Insurance**
Councillor Jim Grant will move:

"This Council notes the problems community groups and charities are having obtaining Public Liability Insurance in order to provide a voluntary service on behalf of Swindon's communities.

This Council requests the Cabinet Member for Communities and Strategic Planning to bring a report to Cabinet outlining the extent to which the Council can use its Public Liability Insurance to cover community groups and charities who are providing a voluntary service to the local community."

9. Calendar of Meetings 2016/17 (Pages 49 - 52)

To consider and recommend to Annual Council the dates for meetings of the Council, the Cabinet, Committees and other Swindon Borough Council Bodies for the Municipal Year, 2016/17.

10. Minutes of Cabinet and Decisions Delegated to Cabinet Members (Pages 53 - 80)

Members have the opportunity to raise questions with the relevant Cabinet Member in respect of Cabinet minutes (which are not reserved for Council for decision) and in respect of individual Cabinet Member delegated decisions.

11. Minutes of other Council Bodies

Members have the opportunity to raise questions with the relevant Chair in respect of all other Committee minutes (not reserved to Council for decision), as set out in the Minute Book circulated separately.

12. Councillors Question Time

Questions (if any) of which notice has been given by Councillors in accordance with Standing Order 15.

Yours faithfully

Director of Law and Democratic Services

Questions by Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 11

Swindon Borough Council remains committed to increasing its accountability to the public and to promoting active citizenship. 15 minutes will be allowed at the start of all Council meetings for questions to the Chair from the public about the work of the Committee (except for confidential matters, and matters relating to planning and licensing applications). We will give priority to those who submit questions in writing at least two days before the meeting. Questions must be relevant, clear, and concise. You may not use Public Question Time as an opportunity to make speeches or statements.

Questions in writing should be sent to the Committee Officer whose contact details appear on the agenda above or to the Director of Law and Democratic Services, we will publish it, along with the answer, alongside the Minutes. The process associated with asking a public question is set out in the "Public Question Time at Council Meetings Protocol and Guidance" available on the Council's Website (<http://ww5.swindon.gov.uk/moderngov/ecCatDisplay.aspx?sch=doc&cat=13338&path=0>) or from the Committee Officer named above.

Access Arrangements - The venue is wheelchair accessible and an infrared receiver hearing system is provided. If you have any special requirements to enable you to attend the meeting or would like to receive any of the pages contained in this agenda in a larger print size, please contact the Committee Officer as soon as possible prior to the date of the meeting.