

Council Agenda

Date: Thursday, 21st July, 2011
Time: 6.00 pm
Venue: The Assembly Room, Town Hall, Macclesfield, SK10 1DX

The agenda is divided into two parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Prayers**
2. **Apologies for Absence**
3. **Minutes of the Meeting Held on 18 May 2011** (Pages 1 - 26)

To approve the minutes as a correct record.

4. **Mayor's Announcements**

To receive such announcements as may be made by the Mayor.

5. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda.

6. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 35 and Appendix 7 to the rules, a total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to speak at Council meetings.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes, but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned, where there are a number of speakers.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide at least three clear working days' notice in writing and should include the question with that notice. This will enable an informed answer to be given. It is not a requirement to give notice of the intention to make use of public speaking provision. However, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours notice is encouraged.

7. **Notices of Motions** (Pages 27 - 30)

To consider a Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors S Jones and R Fletcher and two Notices of Motion submitted by Councillors D Neilson and D Hough, attached.

8. **Political Representation on the Council's Committees** (Pages 31 - 38)

To approve the political group representation, as set out in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report and to agree that the methods, calculations and conventions used in arriving at them as outlined in the report be adopted.

9. **Appointment of Members to Committees** (Pages 39 - 40)

That the nominations made by the Group Leaders to the bodies listed in Appendix 2 of the previous agenda item, be agreed.

10. **Appointments to Cheshire Fire Authority and Joint Cheshire Pension Fund Committee** (Pages 41 - 44)

To review and appoint Councillors to the Cheshire Fire Authority and the Cheshire Pensions Panel.

11. **Recommendation from Constitution Committee - Appointment of Appeals Sub-Committee** (Pages 45 - 48)

To approve the recommendations of the Constitution Committee.

12. **Recommendation from Constitution Committee - Whistleblowing Policy** (Pages 49 - 60)

To approve the recommendations of the Constitution Committee.

13. **Recommendation from Constitution Committee - Executive Arrangements and Cabinet Procedure Rules** (Pages 61 - 72)

To approve the recommendations of the Constitution Committee.

14. **Recommendation from Constitution Committee - Proposed Amendments to the Council's Contract Procedure Rules** (Pages 73 - 104)

To approve the recommendations of the Constitution Committee.

15. **Recommendation from Constitution Committee - Overview and Scrutiny Committees Terms of Reference** (Pages 105 - 116)

To approve the recommendations of the Constitution Committee.

16. **Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2010/11** (Pages 117 - 142)

To receive the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2010/11.

17. **Questions**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11, opportunity is provided for Members of the Council to ask the Chairman, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Chairman of a Committee any question about a matter which the Council, the Cabinet or the Committee has powers, duties or responsibilities.

Questions must be sent in writing to the Monitoring Officer at least 3 clear working days before the meeting.

18. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

The reports relating to the remaining items on the agenda have been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the matters may be determined with the press and public excluded.

The Committee may decide that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

PART 2 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

19. **Harmonisation of Terms and Conditions.** (Pages 143 - 166)

20. **Strategic Director (Children, Families and Adults) and Director of Finance and Business Services** (Pages 167 - 168)