

Annual Council Meeting and Mayor Making Ceremony

Agenda

Date: Wednesday, 16th May, 2012
Time: 11.00 am
Venue: The Tenants' Hall, Tatton Park - Knutsford

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. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

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

3. **Election of Mayor 2012/13**

To elect a Mayor for 2012/13, who will also act as Chairman of the Council

4. **Appointment of Deputy Mayor 2012/13**

To appoint a Deputy Mayor for 2012/13 who will also act as Vice-Chairman of the Council

5. **Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain**

6. **Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor**

7. **Mayor's Announcements**

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

8. **Adjournment for Lunch and Reconvening of Meeting at 2.30pm**

9. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive any further apologies for absence.

10. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 April 2012** (Pages 1 - 12)

To approve the minutes as a correct record.

11. **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.

12. **Mayor's Announcements**

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

13. **Election of Leader of the Council** (Pages 13 - 14)

To elect a Leader of the Council for a four year term of office.

14. **Appointments to the Cabinet/Leader's Announcements**

In accordance with Cabinet Procedure Rules, for the Leader to present to Council information about executive functions in the forthcoming year, including the names, addresses and electoral divisions of those Members appointed to the Cabinet.

Details of the Leader's appointments to the Cabinet and the functions delegated to the Cabinet will be circulated at the meeting.

15. **Political Representation on the Council's Committees** (Pages 15 - 22)

To determine the political group representation on the Council's Committees.

16. **Appointment of Members to Committees** (Pages 23 - 24)

To receive the political groups' nominations of Members to the Council's Committees, in accordance with the group representations at item 15 above.

17. **Appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen** (Pages 25 - 26)

To determine the Chairmen and Vice-chairmen of the Council's Committees.

18. **Appointments to Cheshire Fire Authority, Cheshire Police Authority and Cheshire Police and Crime Panel** (Pages 27 - 30)

To make Appointments to the Cheshire Fire Authority, the Cheshire Police Authority and the Cheshire Police and Crime Panel.

19. **Appointments to Panels** (Pages 31 - 34)

To approve a number of appointments to Statutory Panels and Forums which do not fall within the definition of "a Committee".

20. **Recommendation from the Constitution Committee - Proposed Council Governance Arrangements** (Pages 35 - 68)

To consider the recommendation of the Constitution Committee.

21. **Recommendation from Standards Committee - Standards Regime Under the Localism Act** (Pages 69 - 96)

To consider the recommendation of the Standards Committee.

22. **Reaffirmation of Council's Constitution** (Pages 97 - 98)

To reaffirm the Council's Constitution.

23. **Questions**

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11, opportunity is provided for Members of the Council to ask the Mayor, 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.

At Council meetings, there will be a maximum question time period of 30 minutes. Questions will be selected by the Mayor, using the criteria agreed by Council. Any questions which are accepted, but which cannot be dealt with during the allotted period will be answered in writing. Questions must be brief, clear and focussed.

24. **Recommendation from the Constitution Committee - Delegated Powers Relating to Development Management** (Pages 99 - 102)

To consider the recommendation of the Constitution Committee.

25. **Recommendation from Constitution Committee - Crewe Community Governance Review** (Pages 103 - 144)

To consider the recommendation of the Constitution Committee.