

# **Council Agenda**

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**Date:** Thursday, 13th December, 2012  
**Time:** 2.00 pm  
**Venue:** Grand Hall, Congleton Town Hall, High Street, Congleton  
CW12 1BN

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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 11 October 2012** (Pages 1 - 26)
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 and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary 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 Motion** (Pages 27 - 28)

To consider the attached Notices of Motion which have been received in accordance with Procedure Rule 12.

8. **Leader's Report to Full Council**

The Leader to report details of his appointments to the Cabinet and the functions delegated to Cabinet Members.

9. **Recommendations from Cabinet** (Pages 29 - 98)

- (a) Connecting Cheshire Superfast Broadband Partnership Arrangement (pages 29-36)
- (b) Revised Statement of Gambling Principles (pages 37-65 )
- (c) Council Tax Base 2013/14 (pages 67-97 )

10. **Recommendations from the Constitution Committee** (Pages 99 - 138)

To consider the recommendations of the Constitution Committee.

(Links to individual Constitution reports and appendices below).

- (a) Re-organisation of Community Governance Review (Crewe) Order 2012 and Mini Review of Electoral Arrangements for the Parish of Leighton (<http://bit.ly/Xp9iGc>)
- (b) Notice of Motion – Motions to Council (<http://bit.ly/VBafr8>)
- (c) Notice of Motion – Right to Speak at Public Meetings (<http://bit.ly/TESUik>)
- (d) Notice of Motion – Start Time of Public Meetings (<http://bit.ly/R6PCpd>)
- (e) Scheme of Members' Allowances: Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel (<http://bit.ly/VII1yh>)  
Review 2012 (<http://bit.ly/TBEYIS>)

11. **Capital Programme & Treasury Management Strategy Update** (Pages 139 - 160)

To note the revised Capital Programme. (Appendix 4) and to approve the reductions in the approved Capital Programme (Appendix 1), Supplementary Capital Estimates and Virements (Appendix 2) and amendments to the Treasury Management Strategy (Appendix 3).

12. **Annual Audit Letter** (Pages 161 - 174)

To consider a report relating to the recently received Annual Audit Letter from the District Auditor.

13. **Review of Contract Procedure Rules** (Pages 175 - 206)

To approve the amendments to the Councils Procedure Rules, as set out in the Appendix to the report and that the Constitution be amended accordingly.

14. **Appointments to Cheshire Police and Crime Panel** (Pages 207 - 210)

To confirm the Council's nomination of three Councillors to sit on the Cheshire Police and Crime Panel.

15. **Recommendation for the Constitution Committee - Council Governance Arrangements** (Pages 211 - 242)

To consider the recommendations of the Constitution Committee.

16. **Questions**

In accordance with Procedure Rules 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.