

Council Agenda

Date: Thursday, 12th December, 2013

Time: 12.00 pm

Venue: The Assembly Room - Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

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

To receive apologies for absence.

3. **Minutes of the Meeting Held on 17 October 2013** (Pages 1 - 12)

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 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 13 - 14)

To consider any Notices of Motion that have been received in accordance with Procedure Rule 12

8. **Recommendation from Cabinet - Council Tax Base 2014/15** (Pages 15 - 20)

To consider the recommendation of Cabinet.

9. Recommendation from Cabinet/Licensing Committee - Revised Statement of Licensing Policy (Pages 21 - 72)

To consider the recommendations of Cabinet and the Licensing Committee.

10. Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report 2012/13 (Pages 73 - 98)

To receive the Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report 2012/13.

11. Leader's Report to Council and Leader's Announcements

12. 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 to the Mayor or Chairman of a Committee must be sent in writing to the Monitoring Officer at least 3 clear working days before the meeting. There is no requirement for questions to be submitted in writing which relate to the work of the Cabinet.

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.