

Cabinet

Agenda

Date: Tuesday, 8th November, 2016
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Committee Suite 1, 2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 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 and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

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

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the meeting on any matter relevant to the work of the body in question. Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman or person presiding 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 are not required to give notice to use this facility. However, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours' notice is encouraged.

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.

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4. **Questions to Cabinet Members**

A period of 20 minutes is allocated for questions to be put to Cabinet Members by members of the Council. Notice of questions need not be given in advance of the meeting. Questions must relate to the powers, duties or responsibilities of the Cabinet. Questions put to Cabinet Members must relate to their portfolio responsibilities.

The Leader will determine how Cabinet question time should be allocated where there are a number of Members wishing to ask questions. Where a question relates to a matter which appears on the agenda, the Leader may allow the question to be asked at the beginning of consideration of that item.

5. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 3 - 14)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18th October 2016.

6. **Middlewich Eastern Bypass** (Pages 15 - 28)

To consider a report detailing how the Strategic Case outlined in the report to Cabinet in May, and key requirements of the scheme, have been used to identify options to prepare the Outline Business Case.

7. **Congleton Link Road - Procurement Strategy** (Pages 29 - 52)

To consider a report setting out the options available to the Council to procure a contractor to deliver this project.

8. **Housing Development Fund** (Pages 53 - 64)

To consider changes to the policy for making allocations from the Housing Development Fund.

9. **The Local Welfare Safety Net** (Pages 65 - 88)

To consider a report which provides an overview of the findings and recommendations of the Welfare Reform Working Group tasked with developing a strategy to deliver a whole system response to support residents facing financial hardship as a result of welfare reform.

10. **2016/17 Mid Year Review of Performance** (Pages 89 - 160)

To consider a report outlining how the Council is managing resources to provide value for money for its residents during 2016/17.