Agenda

Council

Thursday, 14 July 2022, 10.00 am County Hall, Worcester

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DISCLOSING INTERESTS

There are now 2 types of interests: 'Disclosable pecuniary interests' and 'other disclosable interests'

WHAT IS A 'DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST' (DPI)?

- Any **employment**, office, trade or vocation carried on for profit or gain
- **Sponsorship** by a 3rd party of your member or election expenses
- Any **contract** for goods, services or works between the Council and you, a firm where you are a partner/director, or company in which you hold shares
- Interests in **land** in Worcestershire (including licence to occupy for a month or longer)
- **Shares** etc (with either a total nominal value above £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital) in companies with a place of business or land in Worcestershire.

NB Your DPIs include the interests of your spouse/partner as well as you

WHAT MUST I DO WITH A DPI?

- Register it within 28 days and
- **Declare** it where you have a DPI in a matter at a particular meeting
 - you must not participate and you must withdraw.

NB It is a criminal offence to participate in matters in which you have a DPI

WHAT ABOUT 'OTHER DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS'?

- No need to register them but
- You must declare them at a particular meeting where: You/your family/person or body with whom you are associated have
 - a **pecuniary interest** in or **close connection** with the matter under discussion.

WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP OF ANOTHER AUTHORITY OR PUBLIC BODY?

You will not normally even need to declare this as an interest. The only exception is where the conflict of interest is so significant it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

DO I HAVE TO WITHDRAW IF I HAVE A DISCLOSABLE INTEREST WHICH ISN'T A DPI?

Not normally. You must withdraw only if it:

- affects your pecuniary interests OR relates to a planning or regulatory matter
- AND it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

DON'T FORGET

- If you have a disclosable interest at a meeting you must disclose both its existence and nature – 'as noted/recorded' is insufficient
- Declarations must relate to specific business on the agenda
 - General scattergun declarations are not needed and achieve little
- Breaches of most of the **DPI provisions** are now **criminal offences** which may be referred to the police which can on conviction by a court lead to fines up to £5,000 and disqualification up to 5 years
- Formal **dispensation** in respect of interests can be sought in appropriate cases.



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Agenda and Summons

Councillors: Cllr Chris Rogers (Chairman), Cllr Alastair Adams, Cllr Salman Akbar,

Cllr Mel Allcott, Cllr Martin Allen, Cllr Alan Amos, Cllr Marc Bayliss,

Cllr Dan Boatright, Cllr Bob Brookes, Cllr David Chambers, Cllr Brandon Clayton, Cllr Kyle Daisley, Cllr Lynn Denham,

Cllr Nathan Desmond, Cllr Allah Ditta, Cllr Matt Dormer, Cllr Aled Evans,

Cllr Elizabeth Eyre, Cllr Simon Geraghty, Cllr Laura Gretton, Cllr Peter Griffiths, Cllr Karen Hanks, Cllr Ian Hardiman,

Cllr Adrian Hardman, Cllr Paul Harrison, Cllr Marcus Hart, Cllr Bill Hopkins, Cllr Matt Jenkins, Cllr Adam Kent, Cllr Adrian Kriss, Cllr Aled Luckman, Cllr Steve Mackay, Cllr Luke Mallett, Cllr Emma Marshall, Cllr Karen May,

Cllr Natalie McVey, Cllr Tony Miller, Cllr Jo Monk, Cllr Dan Morehead,

Cllr Richard Morris, Cllr Tony Muir, Cllr Beverley Nielsen,

Cllr Tracey Onslow, Cllr Scott Richardson Brown, Cllr Andy Roberts,

Cllr Josh Robinson, Cllr Linda Robinson, Cllr David Ross, Cllr Mike Rouse,

Cllr Jack Satterthwaite, Cllr James Stanley, Cllr Emma Stokes,

Cllr Kit Taylor, Cllr Richard Udall, Cllr Craig Warhurst, Cllr Shirley Webb

and Cllr Tom Wells

1 Apologies and Declaration of Interests

To receive apologies and invite any councillor to declare any interest in any of the items on the agenda.

2 Public Participation

To allow a member of the public to present a petition, or ask a question relating to the functions of the Council, or to make a comment on any matter on the agenda.

Members of the public wishing to take part should notify the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance in writing or by e-mail indicating both the nature and content of their proposed participation no later than 9.00am on the working day before the meeting (in this case 13 July 2022). Further details are available on the Council's website. Enquiries can also be made through the telephone number/e-mail address listed in this agenda and on the website.

3 Minutes

To approve as a correct record and authorise the signing of the Minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 2022 (previously circulated electronically).

4 Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements to be made by the Chairman.

5 Reports of Cabinet 1 - 6

To consider the reports of the Cabinet and to receive answers to any questions asked on those reports as follows:

- a) Reports of Cabinet Matters which require a decision; and
- b) Report of Cabinet Summary of decisions taken.

6 Constitutional Matters 7 - 16

To consider (a) Health and Wellbeing Board and Integrated Care System Update; and (b) Approval of extension of time for non-attendance at meetings.

7 Notices of Motion 17 - 20

To receive the report of the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance on any Notices of Motion received by him.

Councillors are asked to note that any Notices of Motion must be received by the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance no later than noon on 5 July 2022.

8 Report of the Cabinet Member with Responsibility 21 - 32

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Corporate Services and Communication on current issues and proposed developments within his area of responsibility and to receive answers to any questions on the report.

9 Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23 33 - 60

To consider the future work programme recommended by the Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board.

10 Question Time *61 - 64*

To receive answers to any questions asked by Councillors.

(Members are reminded of the timescale adopted by Council for notice of questions. A Councillor may only ask a question if:

- It is delivered in writing to the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance by noon on 5 July 2022 or
- If it relates to urgent business, the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance is notified at least half an hour before the start of the meeting and the Chairman agrees the matter is urgent'.)

11 Reports of Committees 65 - 70

To consider the reports of Committees and to receive answers to any questions asked on those reports as follows:

- a) Pensions Committee; and
- b) Planning and Regulatory Committee

NOTES

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Catering Arrangements

Lunch will be available for all Councillors at 1.00pm or thereabouts in the Lakeview Room.

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