



15 February 2022

Dear Councillor,

The next Meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday, 23 February 2022 in the Council Chamber - Moorlands House, Leek at 6.30 pm.

The Agenda for the Meeting is attached at Appendix 'A'.

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Churnet Room between 6:00pm and 6:25pm.

Yours faithfully,

M. Trillo  
**Executive Director & Monitoring Officer**

## **NOTE**

Councillors using the Car Park at the rear of the Council Offices are requested to indicate on their car that it is being used by a Councillor whenever they use the Car Park, otherwise they may be challenged by the Council's Car Park Attendant.

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**Prayers will be offered prior to the commencement of the meeting.**

1. Apologies for absence, if any.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting (**Pages 5 - 8**)
3. Urgent items of business, if any (24 hours notice to be provided to the Chairman).
4. Declarations of interest
  1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
  2. Other Interests
5. Chairman's or Leader's announcements and correspondence, if any.
6. Receipt of petitions, if any.
7. To consider and debate any recommendations from the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Panels and Committees, if any.
  - 7.1 Cabinet - 2022/23 Budget & Medium Term Financial Plan 2022/23 to 2025/26 (**Pages 9 - 108**)
  - 7.2 Audit and Accounts Committee - Treasury Management Update (**Pages 109 - 116**)
  - 7.3 Audit and Accounts Committee - Treasury Management Strategy 2022/23 (**Pages 117 - 146**)
8. Recommendations from meetings in the interim period prior to the Council Meeting, if any.
9. Pay Policy Statement 2022/23 (**Pages 147 - 166**)
10. Setting the Council Tax
11. Notices of Motion in accordance with Procedure Rule No. 8, if any.
  - 11.1 Prescription Charges - Cllr. L Malyon

“With regard to the suggested increase in prescription charges and introduction of charges for the over 60s I would like to ask this Council to write to our MPs and ask them to lobby the Government that this will not happen. It will affect many of our residents in the Staffordshire Moorlands and across the country and may even deter people from having the medication that they need.”
  - 11.2 Planning Requirements for Children's Care Homes - Cllr. P Wilkinson

“There is great concern about the emergence of children’s care homes in the Staffordshire Moorlands. These are often large private houses, purchased by entrepreneurs who then convert them into children’s homes without a change of use planning consent.

The position at the moment is that a dwelling (use class C3) included use for up to six persons living together as a single household where care is provided and it is considered that there is no change of use and planning permission is not required.

This is wrong because these are businesses in every sense and planning permission should be obtained as there is a change of use from dwelling house (C3) to children's home(C2) and full consultation should be undertaken with relevant stakeholders.

Could I request that a Notice of Motion be considered by the Authority calling for planning permission for the change of use of a private dwelling (C3) to children's home (C2) and if it is felt worthy of support then I request that it goes directly to Mr Nadhim Zahawi MP Secretary of State for Education with copies to all Staffordshire Moorlands MPs asking for their support."

12. To answer questions asked under Procedure Rule No. 10, if any.

**(At least two clear days notice required, in writing, to the Proper Officer in accordance with Procedure Rule 11.3.)**

13. To consider any political group appointments or changes to membership, if any.

14. Exclusion of the Press and Public:

The Chairman to move:-

*"That, pursuant to Section 100A(2) and (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings whereby it is likely that confidential information as defined in Section 100A (3) of the Act would be disclosed to the public in breach of the obligation of confidence or exempt information as defined in Section 100 I (1) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act would be disclosed to the public by virtue of the Paragraphs indicated."*

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16. To answer questions asked under Procedure Rule No. 10, if any.

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