

**BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL**  
**COUNCIL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**MONDAY, 21 DECEMBER 2020 AT 14:00 HOURS**  
**IN ON-LINE MEETING, MICROSOFT TEAMS**

**A G E N D A**

**1     NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST**

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**2     DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Members are reminded that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non pecuniary interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not speak or take part in that agenda item. Any declarations will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

**3     APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies.

**4     APPOINTMENTS**

To appoint Councillor Fred Grindrod to the Council Business Management Committee in place of Councillor Brett O'Reilly for the period ending with the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

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**5     MINUTES**

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the last meeting.

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**6     TRIBUTES**

Report of the City Solicitor.

<b><u>9 - 12</u></b>	7	<b><u>PETITION HANDSWORTH CEMETERY</u></b>	Report of the City Solicitor.
<b><u>13 - 16</u></b>	8	<b><u>PETITION NORMAN LAUD ASSOCIATION</u></b>	Report of the City Solicitor.
<b><u>17 - 18</u></b>	9	<b><u>REQUEST FOR THE USE OF THE COAT OF ARMS</u></b>	Report of the City Solicitor.
<b><u>19 - 28</u></b>	10	<b><u>PETITION UPDATE</u></b>	Report of the City Solicitor.
<b><u>29 - 36</u></b>	11	<b><u>CITY COUNCIL AND CBM FORWARD PLAN</u></b>	To inform members of forthcoming items for City Council and Council Business Management Committee meeting agendas
<b><u>37 - 40</u></b>	12	<b><u>COUNCIL AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING</u></b>	To consider the Council agenda for the next meeting.
	13	<b><u>OTHER URGENT BUSINESS</u></b>	To consider any items of business by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) that in the opinion of the Chairman are matters of urgency.
	14	<b><u>AUTHORITY TO CHAIRMAN AND OFFICERS</u></b>	Chairman to move:-  'In an urgent situation between meetings, the Chairman jointly with the relevant Chief Officer has authority to act on behalf of the Committee'.

# BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

<b>COUNCIL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 16 NOVEMBER 2020</b>
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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2020 AT 1400 HOURS, AS AN ON-LINE MEETING**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Ian Ward in the Chair;

Councillors Robert Alden, Shabrana Hussain, Brigid Jones, Gareth Moore, Carl Rice, Martin Straker Welds and Mike Ward.

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**NOTICE OF RECORDING**

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- 3033 Members were reminded that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non pecuniary interests relating to any items of business to be discussed at this meeting. If a pecuniary interest was declared a Member must not speak or take part in that agenda item. Any declarations would be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

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**APOLOGIES**

- 3034 No apologies were submitted.

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**MINUTES**

- 3035 That the Minutes of the last meeting held on 19 October 2020 were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

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**CITY COUNCIL AND CBM FORWARD PLAN**

The following City Council and CBM Forward Plan was submitted:-

(See document No 1)

Emma Williamson, Head of Scrutiny Services, updated the Committee in so far as there were a number of reports to be submitted to the January or February Council meetings including a report from the Chair of Audit who now wanted to report to City Council annually and the Rough Sleeping Addendum. She indicated that, when it was known which reports were to be submitted to which meeting, she could advise on which items would need to slip to the February meeting as January already had a number of reports.

The Chair referring to the other actions from City Council meetings section indicated that he had commissioned a report relating to decline in Jewish residents in the city. In relation to the second action he noted that when a response was collated it would be circulated to all members of the Council.

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**RESOLVED:-**

That the City Council and CBM Forward Plan be noted.

**COUNCIL AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

The following draft agenda was submitted:-

(See document No 2)

It was noted that a revised agenda including an item on the appointment of the Chief Executive had been circulated:-

(See document No 3)

During discussion it was agreed to

- Increase the time allocated for agenda item 7 (Scrutiny Business Report) to 45 minutes.
- Decrease the time allocated for agenda item 9 (Statement of Licensing Policy 2020) to 40 minutes.
- Allocate 20 minutes to agenda item 11 (Appointment of Chief Executive) inclusive of the private item if required.

It was further noted that Councillor Carl Rice would be presenting the Scrutiny Business Report and Councillor Lisa Trickett the Lead Member Report: WMCA Scrutiny.

The Chair noted that in respect of the Statement of Licensing Policy 2020 report he was of the view that the report should come from the Executive as it was a policy and Rob Connelly, Assistant Director Governance, undertook to consider that issue.

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**RESOLVED:-**

That, subject to the above changes, the draft agenda be noted and that Standing Orders be waived as appropriate.

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**APPOINTMENTS**

3038        There were no appointments to be made.

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**OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

3039        There were no of matters of other urgent business raised.

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**AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS**

3040        **RESOLVED:-**

That in an urgent situation between meetings the Chair, jointly with the relevant Chief Officer, has authority to act on behalf of the Committee.

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The meeting ended at 1413 hours.

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CHAIR



# Birmingham City Council

## Council Business Management Committee

21 December 2020



**Subject:** Tributes  
**Report of:** Suzanne Dodd, City Solicitor  
**Report author:** Emma Williamson, Head of Scrutiny Services

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? ☐ Yes ☒ No

### 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 For members to consider how to proceed with tributes for Councillors and former Councillors who have died.

### 2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to determine how such tributes should be taken.

### 3 Background

- 3.1 At the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, tributes for Councillors and former Councillors who had died were paused. It was felt more fitting for such tributes to be held when Council met in the Chamber.
- 3.2 However, as the pandemic, and therefore virtual meetings, have continued, there are now six tributes to be programmed:
- Honorary Alderman Peter Barwell
  - Former Councillor Dilawar Khan
  - Former Councillor Donald Bradman Brown
  - Honorary Alderman Freda Mary Longden-Parker
  - Former Councillor James Sweeney
  - Honorary Alderman Theresa Joyce Stewart

### 4 Options

- 4.1 Members of the Committee are asked to agree a way forward. Options include:
- To continue with the pause on tributes until Full Council meetings are held in the Chamber,

- To commence taking tributes as part of virtual meetings in January and February (perhaps three in January and three in February, using a backdrop of the Council House or Chamber);
- To commence taking tributes with those giving the tributes to be filmed in the Chamber, perhaps in advance of the meeting, to allow a video to be played at the start of the meeting (again, perhaps divided between future meetings).

4.2 The last option would require the support of IT and Communications teams.



**Birmingham City Council**  
**Council Business Management Committee**  
 21 December 2020



**Subject:** Petition Handsworth Cemetery  
**Report of:** Suzanne Dodd, City Solicitor  
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Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If relevant, state which appendix is exempt, and provide exempt information paragraph number or reason if confidential:

## 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of two Petitions entitled 'Birmingham City Council to protect graves of our loved ones' that combined achieved the threshold of 5,000 signatures (see paragraph 3) that allows them to be submitted to this Committee for consideration.
- 1.2 To seek the view of the Committee as to whether it determines that the petitions are relevant to either City Council or an Overview and Scrutiny Committee and should be debated.

## 2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the report be noted;
- 2.2 That, the Committee determines whether the petitions should be debated or not and if so, whether that should be at City Council or by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

## 3 Background

- 3.1 At the Meeting of City Council on 3 November 2020 Councillor Majid Mahmood submitted a petition (a list of names from an external e-petition site) relating to the

recent flooding in Handsworth Cemetery. Following verification, the petition was found to contain 4,881 valid signatures from Birmingham residents; as a large number of the signatures on the e-petition were from outside Birmingham, these were not valid. (see paragraph 5.1)

3.2 Additionally Councillor Zhor Malik at the City Council meeting on 3 November 2020 also submitted a petition on the same matter with the same wording. This was a 'traditional' paper petition which contained approximately 612 signatures most of which were from Birmingham.

3.3 The wording of both petitions is as follows:-

'Birmingham City Council to protect graves of our loved ones

Over the last few months, we have started to see an increase in the number of occurrences where flooding is impacting the graves of loved ones resting at Handsworth Cemetery.

This has been raised to the Cemetery Office, and Birmingham City Council, and has fallen on deaf ears. Assurances have previously been made, yet, again, over the weekend of 3rd and 4th October, multiple graves were flooded, leading to some subsiding, and the families being hurt.

This isn't a lot we're asking for- when families pay in excess of £3,000 for their loved ones to be laid to rest, the least we can expect the Council to do is to care for the graves, and to conduct preventative maintenance. Fobbing off isn't acceptable, **suitable action is**.

With the council's response being slow, and incompetent at best, families, and volunteers are taking the responsibility to fix these graves, but are only permitted to be there during the restricted visiting hours which just isn't enough.

Please join this petition, and sign to help either your loved ones resting at Handsworth, or the families in distress whose loved ones are at Handsworth whose graves continue to be flooded.'

#### 4 Petition Guidance

4.1 The relevant sections of the petition Guidance sets out the following:-

“If your petition achieves the threshold of 20,000 signatures (subject to verification) this will automatically trigger a debate of the petition at City Council. The lead petitioner will be notified of the date of the meeting.

The lead petitioner will also be offered the option of reading their petition at the beginning of the debate or they may choose to request a local Councillor to present it on their behalf.”

“If your petition achieves the threshold of 10,000 signatures (subject to verification) it will be referred to the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee for a Senior Officer to attend and answer questions about the delivering of public services”.

“In addition, in event that that a petition with the number of signatures over 5,000 but below the above threshold trigger, is submitted, it will be considered by the Council Business Management Committee to determine whether an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or City Council should debate the petition, if relevant”

## **5 Matters for Consideration**

- 5.1 The petition from Councillor Mahmood had a number of signatures from people in other parts of the country and a number from around the world which could not be counted as valid. There are 9,516 signatures altogether on the petition which is just under the threshold for consideration at an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. However, the petition has 4,881 valid signatures which is just under the threshold for consideration at this Committee to determine whether it should be debated at an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or City Council or not. Some of those signing from outside Birmingham may have relatives buried in Handsworth Cemetery so the number of signatures from immediate adjoining local authority areas were checked and there were approximately 274 such signatures which if added to the total of 4,881 would push the total figure over 5,000.
- 5.2 As Councillor Malik’s petition contains the same wording, the signatures have included in the calculations then the threshold for consideration of petition(s) has been met

## **6 Appendices**

None



**Birmingham City Council**  
**Council Business Management Committee**  
 21 December 2020



**Subject:** Petition Norman Laud Association  
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Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If relevant, state which appendix is exempt, and provide exempt information paragraph number or reason if confidential:

## 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of a Petitions entitled 'Save and properly fund Norman Laud Association - Respite Care for People with Disabilities' that is just under the threshold of 5,000 signatures that allows them to be submitted to this Committee for consideration.
- 1.2 To seek the view of the Committee as to whether it determines that the petition is relevant to either City Council or an Overview and Scrutiny Committee and should be debated.

## 2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the report be noted;
- 2.2 That, the Committee determines whether the petition should be debated or not and if so, whether that should be at City Council or by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

### 3 Background

- 3.1 At the Meeting of City Council on 3 November 2020 Councillor Alex Yip submitted a petition (a list of names from an external e-petition site) relating to the funding of the Norman Laud Association which provides respite care for people with disabilities. At the Meeting of City Council on 1 December 2020 Councillor Yip presented the same petition with a greater number of signatures. Following verification, the petition was found to contain 4,994 valid signatures from Birmingham residents; as a large number of the signatures on the e-petition were from outside Birmingham, these were not valid.
- 3.2 The wording of the petition is as follows:-

'We the undersigned are calling on Birmingham City Council to step in and secure the long term future of Norman Laud- a charity that has been providing respite care for people with profound learning difficulties, and/or complex physical needs since 1961.

For years Birmingham City Council have been considerably underfunding the cost of respite care, particularly for adults with severe disabilities from 18-65 years old by 50%, compared to children's services in the city for overnight respite.

We are calling on Birmingham City Council to properly fund the cost of respite care for children and adults with profound learning difficulties enabling families to have that vital support with their care, enabling positive social experiences, growing their independence, privacy, dignity and equality. We also call on the Cabinet Member and officers to work with families, the Norman Laud Management Team and supporters to urgently establish an emergency rescue package, especially following difficulties with COVID, to secure the future of this service for families across our city, the 40+ employees at the centre and the many users who have their lives enriched by the support.

Especially in these unprecedented times, the respite care provided by services like Norman Laud provide a vital lifeline for families already struggling with caring for loved ones with often profound and/or complex needs in very difficult times. Birmingham City Council must step up and commit to secure its long term for the most vulnerable and in need members of our society.'

### 4 Petition Guidance

The relevant sections of the petition Guidance sets out the following:-

"If your petition achieves the threshold of 20,000 signatures (subject to verification) this will automatically trigger a debate of the petition at City Council. The lead petitioner will be notified of the date of the meeting.

The lead petitioner will also be offered the option of reading their petition at the beginning of the debate or they may choose to request a local Councillor to present it on their behalf.”

“If your petition achieves the threshold of 10,000 signatures (subject to verification) it will be referred to the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee for a Senior Officer to attend and answer questions about the delivering of public services”.

“In addition, in event that the a petition with the number of signatures over 5,000 but below the above threshold trigger, is submitted, it will be considered by the Council Business Management Committee to determine whether an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or City Council should debate the petition, if relevant”

## **5 Matters for Consideration**

- 5.1 The petition from Councillor Yip had a number of signatures from people in other parts of the country and a number from around the world which could not be counted as valid. There are 10,280 signatures on the petition which is just over the threshold for consideration at an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. However, the petition has 4,994 valid signatures which is just under the threshold for consideration at this Committee to determine whether it should be debated at an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or City Council or not. The Association provides a service for adults and young people funded by their local authority from Birmingham, Sandwell, Walsall, Staffordshire and Solihull and as there were a number of signatures from people living in those local authority areas which would take the petition over the threshold for consideration by this Committee.

## **6 Appendices**

None





# Birmingham City Council

## Council Business Management Committee

21 December 2020



**Subject:** Request for the Use of the Coat of Arms

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If relevant, state which appendix is exempt, and provide exempt information paragraph number or reason if confidential:

### 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 To consider an application by Mr John Stratton for the use of the Coat of Arms as a picture in a book will be entitled 'A Brummie Life'.

### 2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to determine the application.

### 3 Request for the Use of the Coat of Arms by Mr John Stratton

- 3.1 Mr Stratton wishes to use a photograph of the Coat of Arms in a book entitled 'A Brummie Life' which is a 'requested autobiography' about Mr Stratton's life as a citizen of Birmingham. The book would not be a commercial venture of any kind but would be self-published and donated to friends and charitable organisations including churches. The book contains 92 photographs and illustrations.
- 3.2 The email from Mr Stratton adds "The Autobiography focuses upon the two Cathedrals in Birmingham. St. Martin's in the Bull Ring, The former Accident Hospital, Winson Green Prison. The Birmingham Mail Christmas Tree Fund, Aston Parish Church and St. Paul's in the Jewellery Quarter. The book illustrates how the effects of my early years in the City impacted upon my adult life and the contribution I have been privileged to make through music. It refers to my knowledge of former Bishops of Birmingham, and my association with the Cathedrals of St. Philip's and

St. Chad's. Should my request to include the City of Birmingham Coat of Arms be granted I would naturally acknowledge this in the book. The book makes reference to notable events in the life of the City, including the introduction of electricity in 1899, the first electric tram in 1903, a large extension south, in 1911, the opening of the Birmingham Post and Mail by Princess Margaret in 1965."

#### **4 Background in Respect of the Use of The Birmingham Coat of Arms**

##### **4.1 Section 73 of the West Midlands County Council Act 1980 provides that:**

"If any person without the consent of the local authority uses in connection with any trade, business, calling or profession any part of the armorial bearings of that authority, or any emblem or device closely resembling any such part, in a manner calculated to lead to the belief that he displays the part, emblem or device with the approval of that local authority, he may at the suit of the local authority be restrained by an injunction from continuing to use that part, emblem or device."

##### **4.2 The Coat of Arms is a dignity granted by Royal Charter and, as such, is not a property right. The Council cannot therefore license or authorise its use (by others) as such. All that the Council can do is to indicate whether it has any objection to its use. If the Council has no objection, then it would be safe to assume that it will not seek to restrain the use by way of an injunction.**

##### **4.3 The Committee's normal practice has been to indicate that the Council would object to the use of the Coat of Arms except on materials sponsored or produced by, or closely associated with, the Council or in other special circumstances.**

**Birmingham City Council**  
**Council Business Management Committee**  
 21 December 2020



**Subject:** Petitions Update  
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Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If relevant, state which appendix is exempt, and provide exempt information paragraph number or reason if confidential:

## **1 Executive Summary**

- 1.1 To update Committee on progress made in responding to petitions presented to full Council

## **2 Recommendations**

- 2.1 The Committee note this quarterly report.

## **3 Protocol**

- 3.1 The current protocol for responding to petitions presented to City Council was agreed by this Committee in May 2007 and is set out below:
1. Petition presented at City Council.
  2. Petition referred to the appropriate Director for response within 3 working days.
  3. Director to write to the Council or presenting the petition and the first named petitioner to acknowledge receipt within 14 days of the City Council.

4. Progress of investigation into petition to be notified by the relevant Director to Committee Manager for inclusion in the monthly Petitions Update by no later than 10 working days before the next City Council.
  5. Final response to petition included in Petitions Update by the Committee Manager.
  6. Director to notify the Councillor who presented the petition and the first named petitioner of the outcome within 14 days of the relevant City Council meeting discharging the same.
- 3.2 It should be noted that the protocol applies only to petitions sent internally and not to those which are referred to outside bodies for action.

#### **4 Action Taken**

- 4.1 In accordance with minute No. 2044 of this Committee the petition schedule has been split into City Council related petitions (currently 35) and those which are the responsibility of external organisations (currently 66).
- 4.2 Of the outstanding City Council related petitions 2 were presented in 2019.
- 4.3 Since May 2005, 2212 out of a total of 2247 City Council related petitions received have been discharged – 98%.
- 4.4 Of the 49 petitions presented in the last six months 17 have been discharged – 35%.

#### **5 Appendices**

- 5.1 The current City Council Petition Schedule is at appendix 1.

**PETITIONS RELATING TO CITY COUNCIL FUNCTIONS PRESENTED TO CITY COUNCIL**

<b><u>DATE OF RECEIPT/ PRESENTED BY CATEGORY</u></b>	<b><u>DESCRIPTION/SENT TO</u></b>	<b><u>RESPONSE</u></b>
2163 Councillor Bruce Lines 10.09.2019 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Loftus Close, Weoley Castle, Birmingham, B29 5PG objecting to the proposed plans to construct a roadway from Loftus Close into the proposed housing development site off Long Nuke Road – <i>Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	This relates to current Planning Application and it has been assigned to a Planning Officer. 24.10.2019 Current Planning Application. 13.03.2020 Current Planning Application. 02.07.2020 Current Planning Application. 20.11.2020
2173 Councillor Neil Eustace 05.11.2019 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Yardley East Ward objecting to the development of 117 properties in Barrows Lane, Yardley, B26 1SA – <i>Head of Planning Management</i>	This relates to current Planning Application and it has been assigned to a Planning Officer. 03.01.2020 Current Planning Application. 13.03.2020 Current Planning Application. 02.07.2020 Current Planning Application. 20.11.2020
2186 Councillor Fred Grindrod 04.02.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Selly Oak objecting to Planning Application No 2020/00376/PA and calling upon the Council not to approve any plans for Elliot Road in Selly Oak that include student halls of residence – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	This relates to current Planning Application and it has been assigned to a Planning Officer. 14.02.20 Current Planning Application. 13.03.2020 Current Planning Application. 02.07.2020 Current Planning Application. 20.11.2020
2198 Mr D Hussain 09.06.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Kenilworth Road and Tewkesbury Road objecting to HMOs being created on the streets and calling on the Council and all relevant authorities to stop HMO's from operating on the streets with immediate effect – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Enforcement Team for investigation. 02.07.2020
2205 Councillor Roger Harmer 14.07.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Grayland Close and surrounding local residential streets objecting to the introduction of Social Housing, houses in multiple occupation at No. 12 Grayland Close – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Enforcement Team for investigation and response. 03.09.2020

2206 Councillor Debbie Clancy 14.07.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Longbridge calling upon Birmingham City Council to modify the existing Article 4 Directive to properly reflect Austin Village, Longbridge and its community – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to City Design and Conservation Team for investigation and response. 03.09.2020
2207 Councillor Nicky Brennan 14.07.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Sparkhill Ward calling upon Birmingham City Council to erect a barrier at the car park of Colgreave Avenue, Sparkhill to stop anti-social behaviour, loitering, fly-tipping and littering – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Originally sent to Highways but Highway Engineers indicate car park is on Leisure held land. 07.08.2020 Petition referred to Street Scene. 13.08.2020 Referred to Property Services for investigation and response. 03.09.2020
2213 Councillor Brigid Jones 15.09.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Birmingham requesting that Selly Oak Library be saved – <i>Director of Education and Skills</i>	An initial response letter was sent on the 15 September 2020 but further questions received from the Community Partnership for Selly Oak. 17.11.2020
2214 Councillor Julie Johnson 15.09.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Bournville, Cotteridge, Weoley and Selly Oak areas of Birmingham and calling upon Birmingham City Council to reconsider the introduction of the new temporary bus lanes on the A38 Bristol Road South due to the confusion and danger to all road users - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Had an issue with gaining access to the petition. Councillor Julie Johnson has been emailed to inform her of the issue. Referred to Head of Transport Planning and Network Strategy Services for investigation and response. 20.11.2020
2215 Councillor Rob Pocock 15.09.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of St Michael's Road, Warden Road, Cofield Road, Glebe Drive and Wedmore Drive objecting to the TRO 202 proposals and calling upon Birmingham City Council undertake a formal traffic assessment issues affecting the Warden and Cofield Roads one-way system – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Local Engineer for investigation and response. 08.10.2020 <b>A response was agreed by Cabinet Member. Response letter have been sent to Councillor Rob Pocock and the first-named petitioner. 11.12.2020</b> <b>Petition to be discharged</b>
2218 Councillor Majid Mahmood 15.09.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From the residents of Kempson Road calling upon Birmingham City Council to either trim and/or remove the sycamore trees to make it safer for families - <i>Acting Director of Neighbourhoods Directorate</i>	Referred to Highways for investigation and response. 08.10.2020 <b>Referred to Housing for investigation and response. 11.12.2020</b>
2223	From residents of Birmingham calling on the City Council	Referred to Head of Transport Planning and Network

Councillor Adrian Delaney 15.09.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	to scrap the bus lane along the A38 from Selly Oak to Northfield – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Strategy Services for investigation and response. 08.10.2020
2224 Councillor John Lines 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Pickering Croft and Kirkwill Road, Bartley Green calling upon Birmingham City Council to ensure that residents stop leaving rubbish out on streets which has now infested the area with rats – <i>Acting Director of Neighbourhoods</i>	Petition referred to the Assistant Director Street Scene for investigation and report. 24.11.2020
2226 Councillor Majid Mahmood 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From Residents of Birmingham calling upon Birmingham City Council to urgently undertake maintenance of Handsworth Cemetery in relation to the increased flooding in graves of loved ones – <i>Acting Director of Neighbourhoods</i>	Petition referred to the Assistant Director Regulation and Enforcement for investigation and report. Acknowledgement letter has been sent to Councillor Majid Mahmood. 24.11.2020 <b>Met the threshold for consideration by CBM Committee with Petition No. 2238. 01.12.2020</b>
2227 Councillor Roger Harmer 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Acocks Green Ward calling upon Birmingham City Council to install average speed cameras along Olton Boulevard East, Acocks Green - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Head of Transport Planning and Network Strategy Services for investigation and response. 20.11.2020 <b>A response was agreed by Cabinet Member. Response letter has been emailed to Councillor Roger Harmer. 11.12.2020</b> <b>Petition to be discharged</b>
2228 Councillor Zaheer Khan 03.11.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Oldknow Road, Small Heath objecting to the letting of houses of multiple occupation in Oldknow Road, Small Heath, Birmingham B10 – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Planning Policy Manager for investigation and response. 20.11.2020 <b>A response was agreed by Director of Inclusive Growth (Acting). Response letter have been sent to Councillor Zaheer Khan and the Lead petitioners. 11.12.2020</b> <b>Petition to be discharged</b>
2229 Councillors Adam Higgs, Roger Harmer and John O'Shea	From residents of Acocks Green requesting Birmingham City Council to put in place a conservation area in Arden Road, Acocks Green – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Principal Development Planning Officer for investigation and response. 20.11.2020

03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>		
2230 Councillor Liz Clements 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Birmingham calling upon Birmingham City Council to keep and improve the A38 bus and cycle lane from Selly Oak to Northfield - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Head of Transport Planning and Network Strategy Services for investigation and response. 20.11.2020
2231 Councillor Alex Yip 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Birmingham calling upon Birmingham City Council to step in and secure the long-term future of Norman Laud Association, Emscote Drive, Wylde Green - a charity that has been providing respite care for people with profound learning difficulties since 1961 – <i>Director of Adult Social Care</i>	<b>Response sent to first named petitioner and Councillor Alex Yip on 30 November 2020. See petition No.2244. 01.12.2020</b>
2232 Councillor Jon Hunt 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Birmingham calling upon Birmingham City Council to have the toilets reinstated in Cannon Hill Park – <i>Acting Director of Neighbourhoods</i>	Petition referred to the Assistant Director Street Scene for investigation and report. 24.11.2020
2233 Councillor Jon Hunt 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Perry Barr Ward calling upon Birmingham City Council to stop the Demolition of Perry Barr Flyover – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Transport Projects Team for investigation and response. 20.11.2020
2234 Councillor Jon Hunt 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Perry Barr Ward calling upon Birmingham City Council to halt the Perry Barr Flyover works, that they be suspended to allow free movement of traffic and calling for an Independent Review – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Transport Projects Team for investigation and response. 20.11.2020
2235 Councillor Ewan Mackey 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Roughly Ward request Birmingham City Council to be held to account and fix potholes on the 'Defence Estate' – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Highways for investigation and response. 20.11.2020



2236 Councillor Ewan Mackey 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Roughly Ward request Birmingham City Council to be held to account and fix potholes Rowallen Road, Sharratt Field and Homer Road – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Highways for investigation and response. 20.11.2020
2237 Councillor Tahir Ali 03.11.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Nechells Ward – objecting to Planning Application No 2020/06219/PA to convert ST Clements Nursing Home into supported/communal living as there is a number of HMOs in the area that have increased levels of crime – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	This relates to current Planning Application and it has been assigned to a Planning Officer. 20.11.2020
2238 Councillor Zhor Malik 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From Residents of Birmingham calling upon Birmingham City Council to urgently undertake maintenance of Handsworth Cemetery where flooding has impacted the graves where multiple graves were flooded leading to some subsiding – <i>Acting Director of Neighbourhoods</i>	Petition referred to the Assistant Director Regulation and Enforcement for investigation and report. Acknowledgement letter has been sent to Councillor Zhor Malik. 24.11.2020 <b>Met the threshold for consideration by CBM Committee with Petition No. 2226. 01.12.2020</b>
2239 Councillor Peter Fowler 03.11.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Osmaston Road, Harborne and surrounding roads – requesting Traffic Calming Measures to be put in place / speed checks as the road is used by high powered vehicles and used like a race track and rat run - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Local Engineer for investigation and response. 20.11.2020 <b>A response was agreed by Cabinet Member. Response letter have been sent to Councillor Peter Fowler and the first-named petitioner. 11.12.2020</b> <b>Petition to be discharged</b>
2240 Councillor Kate Booth 03.11.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Flemming Road, Quinton calling upon Birmingham City Council to return No. 56 Flemming Road to a family property as it is currently operating as a HMO creating anti-social behaviour – <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	Referred to Enforcement Team for investigation and response. 20.11.2020
2241 Councillor Nicky Brennan 01.12.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Knowle Road calling upon Birmingham City Council to make Knowle Road, Sparkhill into a one-way street - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	<b>Referred to Local Engineer for investigation and response. 11.12.2020</b>

2242 Councillor Chaman Lal 01.12.2020 <b>COMM</b>	From residents of Soho Road, calling upon Birmingham City Council to move the HMO/Hostel at 13-15 Soho Road, Handsworth on the grounds of children and parents' safety as it is located next to 2 primary schools, a nursery and a girl's high school - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	
2243 Councillor Majid Mahmood 01.12.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Southbourne Avenue and Eastbourne Avenue, Hodge Hill, calling upon Birmingham City Council to take action as grass verges are being destroyed due to cars being parked on them - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	<b>Referred to Local Engineer for investigation and response. 11.12.2020</b>
2244 Councillor Alex Yip 01.12.2020 <b>EXEC</b> Repeat of petition No. 2231 with several more pages of signatures	From residents of Birmingham calling upon Birmingham City Council to step in and secure the long-term future of Norman Laud Association, Emscote Drive, Wylde Green - a charity that has been providing respite care for people with profound learning difficulties since 1961 – <i>Director of Adult Social Care</i>	<b>May meet the threshold for consideration by CBM Committee. 01.12.2020</b>
2245 Councillors Roger Harmer, Rob Pocock, Julien Pritchard and Robert Alden 01.12.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Birmingham calling upon Birmingham City Council to produce a plan, based on environmental best practice, to (1) End the burning of mixed waste at the council's Tyseley incinerator, so that the City of Birmingham can conform to the targets of Zero Carbon emissions by 2030 and Clean Air in the city; (2) Introduce separated collections of household waste (including food and textiles) so it can be beneficially re-used, recycled, composted or digested; (3) Involve citizens in co-designing the most suitable schemes, and then in making the change - <i>Acting Director of Neighbourhoods</i>	
2246 Councillor Julian Pritchard 01.12.2020 <b>EXEC</b>	From residents of Birmingham requesting Birmingham City Council to name roads after Mr Perks and Mr Coleman former heads of Baverstock School on the site of the former School - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	

2247 Councillor Ewan Mackey 01.12.2020	From residents of Birmingham objecting against the proposal in Planning Application - 2020/08957/PA to site a 5G mast on the green open space at the junction of Heath Croft Road and Little Sutton Lane - <i>Acting Director of Inclusive Growth</i>	<b>This relates to current Planning Application (2020/08957/PA) and it has been assigned to a Planning Officer. 11.12.2020</b>

**CATEGORIES:**    **COMM**            = Petitions relating to Committees functions    **EXEC**            = Petitions relating to the Executive functions





## CITY COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN 2020/21 – Decemer 2020

CBM	Item
05 May 2020	Overseas Travel and Inward Delegations from Abroad Covid-19 Temporary Governance Arrangements
28 May 2020	Reports not on the Forward Plan – Annual Report Proportionality City Council Appointments
29 June 2020	Membership of the Co-operative Council's Innovation Network Recommendation to appoint representatives – Independent Remuneration Panel Petitions Update
24 August 2020	Appointment to Roll of Honorary Alderman Request for Use of Coat of Arms

City Council	Item
09 June 2020	Executive Business Report – Covid-19 Reports not on the Forward Plan
14 July 2020	Submission of the 'Development Management in Birmingham' Development Plan Document Membership of the Co-operative Council's Innovation Network Scrutiny Business Report Lead Member report: Transport Delivery Committee
15 September 2020	Executive Business Report (Covid-19 Update) Executive: Route to Zero Interim Report Scrutiny Inquiry: Home to School Transport (Education & Children's Social Care)

CBM	Item
19 October 2020	<i>Proposed Amendments to the Constitution</i> <i>Petitions Update</i>
16 November 2020	
21 December 2020	Petitions Update Lord Mayoralty Tributes at Full Council
18 January 2021	Meetings during Pre-Election Period
8 February 2021	Overseas Travel and Inward Delegations from Abroad Provisional City Council and CBM dates for 2021/22

City Council	Item
	<i>Annual report of Independent Remuneration Panel</i> <i>COUNCIL AS TRUSTEE</i>
3 November 2020	<i>Scrutiny Inquiry: Customer Services (Co-ordinating)</i> <i>Street Trading Policy</i> <i>Amendments to the Constitution</i> <i>COUNCIL AS TRUSTEE</i>
1 December 2020	<i>Scrutiny Business Report</i> <i>Statement of Licensing Policy 2020</i> <i>Lead Member report: WMCA Scrutiny</i>
12 January 2021	<i>Executive Business Report</i> Route to Zero Report Rough Sleeping Addendum and Action Plan 2020-23 - Homelessness Prevention Strategy (Homelessness Prevention Strategy went to Full Council on Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2018) Lead Member report: West Midlands Police & Crime Panel
2 February 2021* / **	<i>Scrutiny Business Report/ Executive Business Report</i> Scrutiny Inquiry: Fly-tipping (Housing and Neighbourhoods) Lead Member report: West Midlands Fire Authority Annual Report from the Chair of Audit Committee to City Council
23 February 2021	BUDGET MEETING – Financial Plan 2020-2024

CBM	Item	City Council	Item
29 March 2021	Petitions Update Annual Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel Annual Standards Committee Report (Contact: Rob Connelly, Interim Assistant Director, Governance) (tbc)	13 April 2021	<i>Scrutiny Business Report/ Executive Business Report</i> Scrutiny Inquiry: Infant Mortality (Health and Social Care) Scrutiny Inquiry: Property Assets (Economy & Skills) Annual Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel
10 May 2020	Proportionality City Council Appointments Annual Review of the City Council's Constitution Overseas Travel and Inward Delegations from Abroad	25 May 2021	ANNUAL MEETING

**Four Yearly or ad-hoc items:**

Appointment to the Roll of Honorary Alderman (May 2022); Appointment of the Leader (May 2022)

**Items to be scheduled / proposed:**

Executive Business Report – June, Sept/Nov, January and April; Scrutiny Business Report – July, December, February; Lead Member reports: West Midlands Fire Authority (February); Transport Delivery Committee (July); WMCA Scrutiny (September); GBSLEP Scrutiny (November); West Midlands Police & Crime Panel (December)

\* Pre-meeting of members to select Lord Mayor elect    \*\* Annual Council Photograph

**Appendix 1: City Council Resolutions – Tracker**

Ref no	Date	Summary of Council Resolution	Lead Cabinet Member / officer	Update
5b	04 December 2018	Women & Democracy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>That the attached Statement of Intent is agreed;</li> <li>That Cabinet Members and named officers are asked to implement the action plan included within</li> </ul>	Deputy Leader / Jonathan Tew, Assistant Chief Executive / City Solicitor	Action plan implementation underway [January 2019]

Ref no	Date	Summary of Council Resolution	Lead Cabinet Member / officer	Update
		<p>the report in order to tackle the many barriers to women's representation in Local Government;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add the following to action plan: Noting the small proportion of women representing the new single member wards, to lobby the Boundary Commission for a further review of city wards to tackle this issue.</li> </ul>		
6g	15 January 2019	<p><i>Motion for Debate:</i> The Council therefore calls on the Executive to place into the public domain all documents relating to the GMB payment including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A copy of the ACAS deal itself</li> <li>• Copies of all delegated decision reports</li> <li>• Copies of any briefings or correspondence with any cabinet member, previous or current, regarding the deal</li> <li>• Copies of any correspondence between the Council and GMB in the run up to and after the Unite settlement regarding the proposed settlement and any objections GMB had to that</li> <li>• Copies of any correspondence concerning the decision to exclude GMB from talks after the Unite settlement</li> <li>• Copies of minutes from all meetings between the Council and any Union concerning implementation of the Nov 2017 settlement</li> <li>• Full details of all costs involved, including the total payment itself and any legal costs</li> <li>• Copies of any correspondence regarding how and why the deal should be kept secret and not</li> </ul>	Leader / City Solicitor	<p>Motion will be monitored regarding release of documentation, earliest possible date Feb 2020</p> <p>Monitoring Officer reviewing the information [August 2020 update]</p>



Ref no	Date	Summary of Council Resolution	Lead Cabinet Member / officer	Update
		<p>included in usual processes such as the requirement to publish all spend over £500</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Council also calls for an immediate review into the use of delegated powers within the constitution</li> </ul>		
5a	14-Jan-2020	<p><i>Birmingham Suicide Prevention Strategy 2019-2024:</i></p> <p>That Council endorses the Birmingham Suicide Prevention Strategy and calls on elected members across all parties to support the delivery of the strategy moving forward.</p> <p>That the Action Plan that underpins this strategy is circulated to all Members and that updates on progress are published on an annual basis.</p>	Cabinet Member Health and Social Care / Justin Varney, Director of Public Health	An advisory group which meets bi-monthly are currently working on the action plan which will be circulated in the Summer. [February 2020 update]

#### Other Actions from City Council Meetings

Date	Agenda Item	To Respond	Request/Question	Action taken
03-Nov-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Ian Ward	Cllr Mackey requested that a report is commissioned on the decline in Jewish residents in the city, to ensure the city remains a city of sanctuary.	COMPLETED: Report Commissioned and Terms of Reference agreed Nov 2020.
03-Nov-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Ian Ward	Cllr Ward to get a full response to written question C10 to Cllr Gareth Moore	COMPLETED 02/12/20
03-Nov-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Ian Ward	Response to Cllr Ken Wood on Handsworth Cemetery	COMPLETED 25/11/20
01-Dec-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Ian Ward	Written response to Cllr Julien Pritchard on tenant evictions	

<b>Date</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>To Respond</b>	<b>Request/Question</b>	<b>Action taken</b>
01-Dec-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Ian Ward	Response to Cllr Deirdre Alden about the University train station	
01-Dec-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Ian Ward	Response to Cllr Mackey on two petitions (Moor Hall and Defence estates) from Roughley ward on condition of the roads.	





**BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL****CITY COUNCIL****Tuesday, 12 January 2021 at 1400  
hours as an on-line meeting****A G E N D A****1 NOTICE OF RECORDING**

Lord Mayor to advise that this meeting will be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's Internet site ([www.civico.net/birmingham](http://www.civico.net/birmingham)) and that members of the press/public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

**2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Members are reminded that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non pecuniary interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not speak or take part in that agenda item. Any declarations will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting

**Attached****3 MINUTES**

To confirm and authorise the signing of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 1 December 2020.

**4 LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS****(1400-1410)**

To receive the Lord Mayor's announcements and such communications as the Lord Mayor may wish to place before the Council.

**5 PETITIONS****(10 minutes allocated) (1410-1420)**

To receive and deal with petitions in accordance with Council Rules of Procedure (B4.4 E of the Constitution).

As agreed by Council Business Management Committee a schedule of outstanding petitions is available electronically with the published papers for the meeting and can be viewed or downloaded.

**6 QUESTION TIME****(Maximum of 80 minutes allocated) (1420-1540)**

To deal with oral questions in accordance with Council Rules of Procedure (B4.4 F of the Constitution).

- A. Questions from Members of the Public to any Cabinet Member or Ward Forum Chair (10 minutes)
- B. Questions from any Councillor to a Committee Chair, Lead Member of a Joint Board or Ward Forum Chair (Up to 10 minutes)
- C. Questions from Councillors other than Cabinet Members to a Cabinet Member (Up to 30 minutes)
- D. Questions from Councillors other than Cabinet Members to the Leader or Deputy Leader (Up to 30 minutes)

**Attached**      **7**      **EXECUTIVE BUSINESS REPORT**

**(25 minutes allocated) (1540-1605)**

To consider a report of the.

**Councillor ----- to move the following Recommendation:**

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A 15 minute break will be taken.

**Attached**      **8**      **LEAD MEMBER REPORT: WEST MIDLANDS POLICE & CRIME PANEL**

**(20 minutes allocated) (1620-1640)**

To consider a report of

**Councillor ----- to move the following Recommendation:**

“”

**Attached**      **9**      **ROUTE TO ZERO REPORT**

**(30 minutes allocated) (1640-1710)**

To consider a report of the .

**Councillor -----to move the following Recommendation:**

“”

**Attached**      **10**      **ROUGH SLEEPING ADDENDUM AND ACTION PLAN 2020-23 -  
HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION STRATEGY**

**(30 minutes allocated) (1710-1740)**

To consider a report of the .

**Councillor -----to move the following Recommendation:**

“”

11 **PROVISIONAL DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To note that the provisional date of the next meeting of City Council is 2 February 2021.

