

Members are reminded that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests relating to any items of business to be discussed at this meeting

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 01 MARCH 2016 AT 14:00 HOURS
IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL HOUSE, VICTORIA SQUARE,
BIRMINGHAM, B1 1BB

A G E N D A

1 NOTICE OF RECORDING

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2 MINUTES

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To confirm and authorise the signing of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 2 February 2016.

3 LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

4 PETITIONS

(15 minutes allocated)

To receive and deal with petitions in accordance with Standing Order 8.

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.

5 **APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL**

(5 Minutes allocated)

To make appointments to, or removal from, committees, outside bodies or other offices which fall to be determined by the Council.

6 **EXEMPTION FROM STANDING ORDERS**

Councillor Sharon Thompson to move an exemption from Standing Orders.

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7 **PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION AND STANDING ORDERS**

(5 minutes allocated)

To consider a report of Council Business Management Committee

The Leader to move the following Motion:

That Council approves the changes to the City Council's Constitution and Standing Orders as set out in paragraph 2 of the report and authorises the City Solicitor to implement the changes with immediate effect.

8 **REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

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8A **CREATION OF THE WEST MIDLANDS COMBINED AUTHORITY**

(5 minutes allocated)

To consider a report of the Leader and the Chief Executive

The Leader to move the following Motion:

This City Council:

1. Notes the progress made in establishing the West Midlands Combined Authority and the remainder of the relevant process to be followed;
2. Notes the Draft Constitution of the Combined Authority (Appendix 5);
3. Gives consent to the presentation to Parliament of the statutory Order that will create the West Midlands Combined Authority (draft attached to this report at Appendix 4);
4. Delegates to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council the power to agree with Government any further drafting amendments to the Order that may prove necessary.

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8B **WEST MIDLANDS DEVOLUTION AGREEMENT**

(10 minutes allocated)

To consider a report of the Leader and the Chief Executive

The Leader to move the following Motion:

The Council notes:

- The historic West Midlands devolution agreement signed on 17 November 2015 and that this is the start of a process of devolution with the potential for significant further steps.
- That the subsequent work on a clarification process and due diligence has been satisfactorily completed.

This Council endorses the West Midlands Combined Authority Devolution Agreement, including the creation of an Elected Mayor.

This Council:

- Instructs the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive to take any further decisions necessary to bring about the implementation of the Agreement, working with the other members of the Shadow Combined Authority Board, the Government and local partners.
- Authorises the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council to give consent to the presentation of a Mayoral Order to Parliament.

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COUNCIL BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET 2016+

(4 hours allocated)

At this stage in the Council meeting, the following procedural Motion will be moved:-

"That, pursuant to a Council Business Management discussion, Standing Orders be waived to allocate up to 4 hours for the whole debate on the Council Business Plan and Budget 2016+ report, permit the Leader of the City Council to make a speech of up to 45 minutes, permit the other Group Leaders to make a speech of up to 30 minutes each, permit all other speakers in the debate to speak for up to 5 minutes, permit the Leader of the City Council to reply to the debate without time limit, and agree that amendments to the Motions should be taken in the order that the amendments were notified to the Lord Mayor"

(A 10 minute break will be taken during the debate.)

The Leader to move the Motions set out in the document at Pages 277-279.

Members must, in reaching their decision on the Budget Motions, have full regard to the results of the consultation, as set out in Part Four, and the analysis of equalities considerations, as set out in Part Three and Appendix 1 of the Business Plan and Budget 2016+.