

Council meeting: Wednesday 18 December 2024

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of Warwick District Council will be held at Shire Hall, Market Place, Warwick on Wednesday 18 December 2024 at **6.00pm**

Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Members to declare the existence and nature of interests in items on the agenda in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct. Declarations should be disclosed during this item. However, the existence and nature of any interest that subsequently becomes apparent during the course of the meeting must be disclosed immediately. If the interest is not registered, Members must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days.

Members are also reminded of the need to declare predetermination on any matter.

If Members are unsure about whether or not they have an interest, or about its nature, they are strongly advised to seek advice from officers prior to the meeting.

3. Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 27 November 2024.
(To Follow)

4. Communications and Announcements

5. Petitions

6. Notices of Motion

- a) To consider a notice of Motion from Councillor Kohler, and seconded by Councillor Milton, that the Council notes that:
1. "The "Climate and Nature Bill", previously presented as "Climate and Ecology Bill" and before that the "Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill", is scheduled to have its second reading in the House of Commons on 24th January 2025.
 2. The Climate and Nature Bill would require the UK Government to create a strategy to achieve both climate and nature targets; establish a Climate and Nature Assembly to advise the Secretary of State in creating that strategy and give duties to the Committee on Climate Change and the Joint Nature Conservation Committee regarding the strategy and targets
 3. The WDC Leadership Coordinating Group issued an all-party statement supporting the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill in March 2021.
 4. "New Homes (Solar Generation) Bill", colloquially known as The

Sunshine Bill, is scheduled to have its second reading the week before, on 17 January 2025.

5. The Sunshine Bill has the simple aim of requiring the installation of solar panels on new homes.

This Council therefore resolves to:

1. Publicly reiterate our support for the Climate and Nature Bill.
2. Publicly support the principle of mandating the inclusion of solar energy generation equipment on all new homes as proposed by the New Homes (Solar Generation) Bill.
3. Ask the leader to write to our local MPs detailing why the Council are supporting the bills and asking them to support the bills on their passage through parliament.
4. Use our Social Media channels to encourage local businesses, organisations and residents to contact their MP to ask them to support the bills."

- b) To consider a notice of Motion from Councillor Boad, and seconded by Councillor Russell, that the Council notes that:

Prostate Cancer UK introduced their campaign in August 'the BOG-STANDARD CHARTER', which is a set of guidelines designed to educate and ensure that businesses and the public sector provide men with facilities they need to dispose of incontinence waste. According to Prostate Cancer UK, as many as 1 in 3 men over 65 are estimated to have urinary incontinence in the UK. 1 in 20 men aged 60 and over will experience bowel incontinence. There are few facilities for men, in the District, who need to dispose of pads and other incontinence products to do so easily, safely and with dignity. Currently there is no sanitary equality for men with women.

The Council believes that:

- It is important to make life more comfortable and dignified for those who suffer from incontinence.
- Men who suffer with incontinence should feel comfortable and dignified and be able to dispose of their incontinence pads.
- The provision of sanitary bins should be provided in all toilets that the authority manages so that waste products can be disposed of in a discreet and hygienic manner.

The Council recommend the Cabinet:

1. Identify how many of our public facilities fall short on the 'Men NEED Bins' campaign.
2. Produce a costed proposal to achieve BOG STANDARD Silver in all of our buildings that are available to the public, including our staff facilities.
3. Call upon other organisations and businesses across the District to support the 'Men NEED Bins', and the 'BOG STANDARD Charter' by providing sanitary bins for their employees and public use.
4. Write to the Districts' MPs to ask them, If they haven't done so already, to publicly back the 'Boys NEED Bins' campaign.

7. **Leader and Portfolio Holders' Statements**
8. **Questions to the Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holders**
9. **Common Seal**

To authorise the affixing of the Common Seal of the Council to such deeds and documents as may be required for implementing decisions of the Council arrived at this day.



Chief Executive
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