

Council meeting: Wednesday, 24 February 2021

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of Warwick District Council will be held remotely on Wednesday, 24 February 2021 at **6.00pm** and available for the public to watch via the Warwick District Council [YouTube channel](#).

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:

- (a) 25 November 2020; and
- (b) 7 January 2021

(Pages 1 to 12)
(Pages 1 to 5)

4. Communications and Announcements

5. Petitions

6. Notices of Motion

To consider a motion from Councillor Kennedy, to be seconded by Councillor Nicholls, that asks:

That this Council notes that:

1. Warwickshire County Council (WCC) has recently closed a consultation on possible routes for the A46 link road from the A46 Stoneleigh junction to Westwood Heath Road. WCC is also currently consulting on its revised Local Travel Plan.

2. WCC has published 'Healthy Travel Choices in Warwickshire' in which they state "...our goal [is] to achieve a sustainable, healthy and green travel network; where walking and cycling are the primary modes of travel, with private car use of much lower importance."
3. The Department of Transport published 'Gear Change: a bold new vision for cycling and walking' in July 2020 which aims to 'encourage and empower' local authorities to promote active travel plans.
4. The CWLEP has invested in the development of the Coventry Very Light Rail system creating new sustainable means of transport and local green jobs.
5. In June 2019, Warwick District Council declared a Climate Emergency with one of its aims that "total carbon emissions within Warwick District are as close to zero as possible by 2030". Motor vehicles with internal combustion engines are responsible for 40% of all emissions across the District.
6. The impact of the Covid pandemic in 2020 has seen a shift in work patterns towards more home-working and less commuting, with a 73% drop in motor traffic during the height of the lockdown.

That this Council resolves to write to WCC and Coventry City Council as the proposers of the A46 Strategic Link Road calling on them to suspend further development of the scheme until a full re-evaluation of the planning assumptions is made, including but not limited to:

- (a) A reassessment of traffic flow forecasts based on new ways of working and commuting following the pandemic, and a sustainability analysis as mandated for all major new projects by the WDC Climate Emergency.
- (b) A detailed analysis of the potential for enhancing active travel in the area taking into account Department of Transport policy and the emerging Warwickshire Local Travel Plan including the development of plans for a comprehensive cycle network and encouragement of the increasingly popular use of e-bikes for commuting.
- (c) Consideration of fast-tracking the development of the railway station for the University and the early roll-out of the Coventry VLR scheme.
- (d) Coordination with the development of the new South Warwickshire (Warwick and Stratford Districts) Local Plan and with the University of Warwick's new master plan, noting that the University has also declared a climate emergency.

7. Leader and Portfolio Holders' Statements

8. Questions to the Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holders

9. Setting of the Council Tax 2021/22

To consider:

- (a) the recommendations from the meeting of the Executive held on 11 February 2021 in Minute 77; and
- (b) the report of the Responsible Financial Officer

(To follow)
(Pages 1 to 10)

10. Housing Rents and Housing Revenue Account Budget 2021/22

To consider the recommendations from the meeting of the Executive held on 11 February 2021 in Minute 78. **(To follow)**

11. Executive Report

To consider an excerpt from the Executive meetings of:

- (a) 10 December 2020; and
- (b) 11 February 2021.

(Pages 1 to 29)
(To follow)

12. Employment Committee

To consider the report from Employment Committee on 16 February 2021 **(To follow)**

13. Amendments to the membership of Committees

To consider the following changes to membership of Committees as follows:

- To replace Councillor Murphy as a member of Planning Committee with Councillor Grainger;
- To appoint Councillor Murphy as a substitute for Planning Committee;
- To appoint Councillor Grainger as a substitute for Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee, Licensing & Regulatory Committee and Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

14. Public & Press

To consider resolving that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items by reason of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, as set out below.

Item Numbers	Paragraph Numbers	Reason
15	1	Information relating to an individual
15	2	Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
15	3	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

15. Confidential Executive report

To consider a confidential excerpt from the Executive meeting on 11 February 2021 **(To follow)**

16. 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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