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Mayor & Chairman **Cllr David Pears**

Leader **Cllr Simon Ward** | Town Clerk **Ms Olive O'Sullivan**



ALL MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

7th December 2017

TO: All Members of the Town Council

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to a Meeting of Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council, at Sutton Coldfield Town Hall, Upper Clifton Road, B73 6AB on Wednesday 13th December 2017 starting at 7pm.

The meeting will consider the items set out below.

Town Clerk

7.00pm Public Question Time

Up to 20 minutes may be set aside for public participation.

Before the meeting there will be a public session to enable the people of Royal Sutton Coldfield to ask questions of, and make comments, regarding the Town Council. Questions not answered at this meeting will be answered in writing to the person asking the question, or may appear as an agenda item for the next meeting. Members of the public are asked to identify themselves and to restrict their comments, and/or questions to three minutes.

The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2016 allows both the public and press to take photographs, film and audio record the proceedings and report on all public meeting (including on social media). Any member of the public wishing to record or film proceedings should let the Chairman of the meeting know prior to, or at the start of, the meeting as it is good practice to notify the public that the meeting is being recorded.



100 Apologies For Absence

Members to receive apologies for absence.

101 Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor will give a short verbal update on his activities and engagements since the last meeting.

102 Declarations of Interest

Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct. (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).

103 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Due to the confidential nature of the business of item 115 under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s3, it is likely a motion will be proposed to exclude members of the public and press during discussion of this item.

104 Minutes of the Last Meeting

To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council held on Tuesday 28th November 2017 ([attached](#)).

105 Matters Arising

106 Minutes of Committees

Council to receive the minutes and approve the recommendations from the committees.

- a) Planning and Highways held on 5th December 2017 ([attached](#)).
- b) Finance and General Purposes held on 7th December 2017 ([attached](#)).

107 Partnership Working Between Birmingham City Council (BCC) and Parish/Town Councils

Council to note the report of the BCC's Corporate Resources and Governance Overview and Scrutiny Committee on partnership working between BCC and Parish/Town Councils and to also note the amendment, moved by Cllr Mackey, that was approved at BCC Full Council on 5th December 2017 ([report](#) and [amendment](#) attached).



108 Notice of Motion

Submitted by Cllr Pocock on 7th December 2017.

“This Council welcomes the recommendations of the BCC Scrutiny Report on Town and Parish Councils agreed by Full Council on 5th December 2017, which aim to develop better working relationships between BCC and RSCTC. We also welcome the fact that the report received unanimous support from across all three political parties represented on BCC, as a cross party agreement gives much greater confidence of success. This Council resolves to respond positively to the report in a similar vein, and will establish a cross-party negotiating team to take forward the offer from BCC to develop more constructive and effective working relationships”.

109 Declaration of Precept 2018/19

Council are requested to approve the precept for 2018/19 ([attached](#)).

110 Sutton Coldfield Town Centre

Council to consider the need for specialist advice and support for the Town Council in relation to major planned changes in the Town Centre ([attached](#)).

111 Strategic Plan Progress Report

Members to note the updated strategic plan progress report ([attached](#)).

112 Accounts for Payment

- i) Members to approve payments as per the schedule ([attached](#)) and to appoint two members to complete online banking authorisation for these and any further payments throughout the month.
- ii) Members to note payments made since the last Full Council meeting using delegated powers ([attached](#)).

113 Delegated Powers

Town Clerk to update on any use of delegated powers since the last meeting.

114 Date of Next Meeting

24th January 2017 at Sutton Coldfield Town Hall.



115 Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following agenda items, subject to agenda item 103 will most likely be heard with the Public and Press excluded.

a) Confidential Report

Council to consider the commission of an authoritative retail study to influence future engagement on work linked to a new vision for the town centre.