

A G E N D A

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Thursday 25 February 2021 at 6.30 pm
Virtual Meeting - Online

Members: Councillor Scholes (Chairman), Councillors Mrs Thomas (Vice-Chairman), Funnell, Dr Hall, Lewis, Rands, Williams and Pope

Quorum: 3 Members (to include either the Leader or Deputy Leader)

- 1 Apologies for Absence** (Pages 5 - 6)
To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2 Declarations of Interest:** (Pages 7 - 8)
To receive any declarations of interest by members in items on the agenda. For any advice on declarations of interest, please contact the Monitoring Officer.
- 3 Notification of Visiting Members wishing to speak (in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 18):** (Pages 9 - 10)
Members should indicate which item(s) they wish to speak on and the nature of their concern/question/request for clarification.
- 4 Minutes of the Meeting dated 19 January 2021** (Pages 11 - 12)
To approve the minutes of the previous meeting as a correct record. The only issue relating to the minutes that can be discussed is their accuracy.
- 5 New Polling Station in Sherwood Ward (Knights' Wood)** (Pages 13 - 42)
To consider and provide a recommendation on the proposals set out in the attached report.
- 6 Urgent Business** (Pages 43 - 44)
To consider any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent, for the reasons to be stated, in accordance with Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

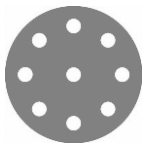
7 Date of Next Meeting

(Pages 45 - 46)

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 13 April 2021 at 6:30pm.

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Notes on Procedure

- (1) A list of background papers appears at the end of each report, where appropriate, pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, section 100D(i).
- (2) Members seeking factual information about agenda items are requested to contact the appropriate Service Manager prior to the meeting.
- (3) Members of the public and other stakeholders are required to register with the Democratic Services Officer if they wish to speak on an agenda item at a meeting. Places are limited to a maximum of four speakers per item. The deadline for registering to speak is 4.00 pm the last working day before the meeting. Each speaker will be given a maximum of 3 minutes to address the Committee.
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Council Chamber: 100, Committee Room A: 20, Committee Room B: 10.
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