

# Summons to attend meeting of Full Council



**Date:** Wednesday, 25 November 2020

**Time:** 6.00 pm

**Venue:** Virtual Meeting - Zoom Committee Meeting  
with Public Access via YouTube

**To: All Members of Council**

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**Date:** Monday, 16 November 2020



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# Agenda

## 1. Welcome and Introductions

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## 2. Apologies for Absence

## 3. Declarations of Interest

To note any declarations of interest from the Councillors. They are asked to indicate the relevant agenda item, the nature of the interest and in particular whether it is a **disclosable pecuniary interest**.

Any declarations of interest made at the meeting which is not on the register of interests should be notified to the Monitoring Officer for inclusion.

## 4. Public Forum (Petitions, Statements and Questions)

Please note: public forum business is permitted for this Extraordinary Full Council meeting provided that it relates to the business for which the meeting has been arranged (ie. the items on the meeting agenda).

Please note that the following deadlines apply to this meeting:

- a. Public Questions – written questions must be received **by 5pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November**. A maximum of two questions is permitted. Questions should be addressed to the Mayor or Cabinet Member.
- b. Public Petitions and Statements – petitions and written statements must be received **by 12 noon on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November**. One written statement per person is permitted.
- c. Members of the public who wish to present their public forum in person during the video conference meeting must register their interest **by 12 noon on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**.

Further information about the rules around public forum can be found in our [Constitution](#) (particularly the Council Procedure Rules and Virtual Meeting Procedure Rules), and the public information sheet attached to this agenda.

Public forum correspondence and items must be emailed to [democratic.services@bristol.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@bristol.gov.uk)



## 5. Motion Submitted : WECA Membership

Council believes joint working is important as a council and that the West of England Combined Authority offers a body through which Government will engage and invest in our region and allow the local authorities to work together better and more effectively.

Council believes the decision of North Somerset to not join previously weakened the body and its ability to attract additional funds and powers. We welcome the application by North Somerset to join WECA.

Council believes together we will be a stronger region able to access additional funding and that the sum and parts will jointly benefit.

Council calls on the Mayor and Chief Executive to publish the statutory consultation on North Somerset joining WECA as required within the joint arrangement and ask for this consultation to be published no later than 27th November.

Additionally Council calls on the Bristol Mayor to reverse his opposition to the expansion of WECA, noting that if he considers inadequate any negotiated additional funding associated with a proposed expansion of WECA, then he still has the authority to exercise his veto at a later date.

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Signed



Proper Officer  
Monday, 16 November 2020

