

Summons and Agenda 28 February 2018

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To: All Members of the Council

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Dear Sir/Madam

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Reading Borough Council to be held at the Civic Offices, Reading, on Wednesday 28 February 2018 at 6.30pm, when it is proposed to transact the business specified in the Agenda enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully

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AGENDA

Mayor's Announcements

1. To receive Mayor's Announcements.

Declarations of Interest

2. To receive any declarations of interest.

Minutes

3. The Mayor to sign the Minutes of the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on 23 January 2018 (Pages A1-A6)

Petitions

4. To receive petitions in accordance with Standing Order 8.

Questions from Members of the Public

5. Questions in accordance with Standing Order 9.

Questions from Councillors

6. Questions in accordance with Standing Order 10.

Reports and Recommendations from Committees

7. <u>Budget 2018-2019 and Medium Term Financial Strategy</u>

Report by Corporate Management Team (Pages B1-B96)

Motions

8. <u>Ward Priority Fund</u>

Councillor Hopper to move:

This Council notes that 15% of monies received from the Community Infrastructure Levy should be allocated "locally" and, according to RBCs CIL Draft Spend Protocol document, these funds can be focused on:

- Open space improvements / small scale leisure
- Local highway projects
- Air quality
- Community Improvements
- Renewable energy infrastructure

- Economic Support
- & other measures

This Council also notes that as of 15 January 2018, the total amount of CIL collected by RBC was just over £4.5 million and that 15% of this therefore equates to in excess of £675,000.

This Council further notes that Oxfordshire County Council recently agreed to allocate a sum of £15,000 per year for the next two years to each of their County Divisions, which are represented by a single Councillor per Division. These funds are to be spent on local priorities within the Division.

This Council therefore resolves to request Officers to investigate the deliverability of a similar scheme for Reading, such that each Ward be allocated £15,000 per year, broken down as £5,000 per Councillor, to be allocated by individual Councillors on ward specific issues subject to:

- Scheme to start in 2018/19
- No funds to be allocated to individuals
- No funding to be committed beyond the end of the annual funding window
- Ward councillors can pool funds within their ward
- No roll over of unallocated funds
- All funding decisions to be approved by Policy Committee

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