

8 November 2016

To: Councillor James (Chair);
Councillors David Absolom, Debs Absolom,
Davies, Dennis, Kelly Edwards, Gittings,
Grashoff, McDonald, McGonigle, O'Connell,
Steele, Terry, Tickner and Rose Williams.

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**NOTICE OF MEETING - HOUSING, NEIGHBOURHOODS AND LEISURE COMMITTEE -
16 NOVEMBER 2016**

A meeting of the Housing, Neighbourhoods and Leisure Committee will be held on **Wednesday 16 November 2016 at 6.30pm** in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading.

AGENDA

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1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests they may have in relation to the items for consideration.		-
2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING, NEIGHBOURHOODS AND LEISURE COMMITTEE HELD ON 5 JULY 2016		1
3. MINUTES OF OTHER BODIES Community Safety Partnership - 22 September 2016		8
4. PETITIONS Petitions submitted pursuant to Standing Order 36 in relation to matters falling within the Committee's Powers & Duties which have been received by Head of Legal & Democratic Services no later than four clear working days before the meeting.		-

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5.	QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COUNCILLORS		-
	Questions submitted pursuant to Standing Order 36 in relation to matters falling within the Committee's Powers & Duties which have been submitted in writing and received by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services no later than four clear working days before the meeting.		
6.	DECISION BOOK REFERENCES		-
	To consider any requests received by the Monitoring Officer pursuant to Standing Order 42, for consideration of matters falling within the Committee's Powers & Duties which have been the subject of Decision Book reports.		
7.	RIVERMEAD: SERVICE AND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE	BOROUGHWIDE	-
	To receive a presentation from GLL updating the Committee on service and developments at Rivermead Leisure Centre.		
8.	CULTURE AND HERITAGE IN READING	BOROUGHWIDE	12
	This report provides an update on the range of culture and heritage projects and initiatives underway in Reading as Reading's Year of Culture 2016 enters its final two months.		
9.	WASTE MINIMISATION STRATEGY UPDATE	BOROUGHWIDE	29
	This report provides an update on the progress achieved in the first half of year 2 of the Waste Minimisation Strategy 2015 - 2020 Action Plan.		
10.	PRIVATE RENTED SECTOR CHARTER - UPDATE ON PROGRESS	BOROUGHWIDE	72
	This report updates the Committee on the progress made in delivering the Private Rented Sector (PRS) Charter action points.		
11.	HOUSING REGISTER - RE-REGISTRATION EXERCISE	BOROUGHWIDE	81
	This report sets out the results of the Housing Register re-registration exercise, which the Council conducted for applicants on the Housing Register in preparation for the introduction of a new housing allocations IT system.		
12.	HOMELESSNESS: UPDATE ON DEMAND PRESSURES AND	BOROUGHWIDE	85

ACTIONS TO MITIGATE

This report sets out the pressures facing the local housing authority and the approach to helping those with housing needs. The report also provides an update on the work carried out to manage the homelessness crisis and proposes future activity to help prevent and address arising need.

13. MEETING HOUSING NEED FOR HOUSEHOLDS AFFECTED BY THE BENEFIT CAP BOROUGHWIDE 13

This report considers the impact of the further reduction of the cap to the amount of benefits paid to non-working households in Reading and provides options for responding to these changes and helping households affected.

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