

21 October 2016

To: Councillor Lovelock (Chair)
Councillors Davies, Duveen, Eden, Gavin,
Gittings, Hopper, Hoskin, Jones, Page,
Skeats, Stevens, Terry and White

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NOTICE OF MEETING - POLICY COMMITTEE - 31 OCTOBER 2016

A meeting of the Policy Committee will be held on Monday 31 October 2016 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Reading. The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Please Note - the Committee will first consider items in closed session. Members of the press and public will be asked to leave the Chamber for a few minutes.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN CLOSED SESSION

The following motion will be moved by the Chair:

"That, pursuant to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) members of the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following items on the agenda, as it is likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant Paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of that Act"

<u>ACTION</u>	<u>WARDS AFFECTED</u>	<u>PAGE NO</u>
1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEM	-	-
2. LAND AT RICHFIELD AVENUE	ABBEY	A1

Councillors Gittings, Jones & Lovelock / Director of
Environment and Neighbourhood Services

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PUBLIC SESSION

3. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors to declare any interests they may have in relation to the items for consideration in public session.

5. MINUTES

To confirm the Minutes of the Policy Committee meeting on 26 September 2016.

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6. PETITIONS AND QUESTIONS

To receive any petitions from the public and any questions from the public and Councillors.

7. DECISION BOOK REFERENCES

8. CHIEF CONSTABLE AND POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER PRESENTATIONS

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To receive presentations from Francis Habgood, Thames Valley Police Chief Constable, and Anthony Stansfeld, Thames Valley Police & Crime Commissioner.

9. NEW COUNCIL HOMES SPEND APPROVAL - CONWY CLOSE

BOROUGHWIDE

C1

Councillor Davies / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services

This report seeks spend approval for the proposed development of new council homes at Conwy Close, sets out the proposed procurement approach, and seeks approval to enter into a contract with a preferred bidder.

10. CONTRACT AWARD - CLEANING AND CLEARING OF VOID PROPERTIES

BOROUGHWIDE

D1

Councillor Davies / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services

This report seeks approval for the award of the Voids Cleaning Contract following a competitive tendering exercise.

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| 11. | REVIEW OF LEISURE FACILITIES AND FUTURE PROVISION | BOROUGHWIDE | E1 |
| | Councillor Gittings / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services | | |
| | This report provides an update on progress with a procurement process to seek external support and investment to secure the improvement of the Borough's leisure facilities and on the facilities to be provided. The report also includes an update on related issues including delivery of a demountable pool at Rivermead. | | |
| 12. | MID-YEAR REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES | BOROUGHWIDE | F1 |
| | Councillor Lovelock / Managing Director | | |
| | This report sets out the results of a mid-year review of fees and charges and seeks approval for proposals to change or maintain service fees and charges as outlined in Appendix 1 to the report. | | |
| 13. | PROPOSED CHANGES: LOCAL COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME AND REMOVAL OF COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNT FOR PROPERTIES UNDERGOING MAJOR WORKS | BOROUGHWIDE | G1 |
| | Councillor Lovelock / Managing Director | | |
| | This report sets out a range of options to make amendments to the local Council Tax Support Scheme for 2017/18 and proposes the removal of the council tax discount awarded on empty properties undergoing major works from April 2017. | | |
| 14. | JOINT MINERALS AND WASTE LOCAL PLAN - JOINT WORKING ARRANGEMENTS | BOROUGHWIDE | H1 |
| | Councillor Page / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services | | |
| | This report sets out arrangements for the preparation of a statutory Minerals and Waste Local Plan for the Central and Eastern Berkshire area covering Windsor and Maidenhead, Bracknell Forest, Wokingham and Reading. | | |
| 15. | CHANGE OF SUB-COMMITTEE NAME | MAPLEDURHAM | J1 |
| | Councillor Lovelock / Monitoring Officer | | |
| | This report sets out a proposal to change the name of 'The Heights Free School Sub-Committee' to 'The Mapledurham Playing Field Trustees Sub-Committee'. | | |

16. DELEGATIONS REGISTER - STRATEGIC FINANCE DIRECTOR BOROUGHWIDE K1
(SECTION 151 OFFICER)

Councillor Lovelock / Monitoring Officer

This report seeks approval for changes to the Council's register of delegations and Constitution following the appointment of a Strategic Finance Director as Section 151 Officer.

17. HOMES FOR READING - BOARD AUTHORITY TO ALLOT SHARES BOROUGHWIDE L1

Councillors Lovelock & Page / Head of Finance

This report sets out arrangements for the initial capitalisation of Homes for Reading, prior to purchasing its first property, and seeks to authorise the board to allot shares.

18. BUDGET MONITORING 2016/17 BOROUGHWIDE M1

Councillors Lovelock & Page / Head of Finance

This report set out the budget monitoring position for the Council to the end of August 2016.

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