

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

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**NOTICE OF MEETING - POLICY COMMITTEE - 25 SEPTEMBER 2017**

A meeting of the Policy Committee will be held on Monday 25 September 2017 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 ITEMS	-	-
2. LAND AT AMETHYST LANE  Councillor Lovelock / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	SOUTHCOTE	A1
3. LAND AT NORTH STREET  Councillor Lovelock / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	ABBEY	A15

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**4. PROPERTIES IN READING**

Councillor Lovelock / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services

To  
follow

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PUBLIC SESSION**

**CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

**6. MINUTES**

To confirm the Minutes of the Policy Committee meeting on 17 July 2017.

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**7. PETITIONS AND QUESTIONS**

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

**8. DECISION BOOK REFERENCES**

**9. CONSULTATION ON GYPSY AND TRAVELLER PROVISION**

Councillor Page / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services

This report sets out a proposal for consultation on provision for gypsy and traveller accommodation within Reading.

**ABBEY &  
BOROUGHWIDE**

**C1**

**10. READING GREEN PARK STATION - DESIGN & BUILD**

Councillor Page / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services

This report sets out the latest position regarding proposals for Green Park Station, and recommends that the Council enter into agreements with Balfour Beatty, Network Rail and Great Western Railway to progress the detailed design and construction of the station and multi-modal interchange.

**WHITLEY**

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| 11. | <b>CONTRACT AWARD - COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SERVICES (DIAL-A-RIDE)</b>  | <b>BOROUGHWIDE</b>         | <b>E1</b> |
|     | Councillor Page / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services  |                            |           |
|     | This report seeks approval for the award of a contract for the provision of Community Transport Services, including the outsourcing of the Council's current Adult Social Care Transportation Service.  |                            |           |
| 12. | <b>NATIONAL CYCLE NETWORK 422 - PHASE 2</b>   | <b>MINSTER &amp; ABBEY</b> | <b>F1</b> |
|     | Councillor Page / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services  |                            |           |
|     | This report outlines progress in delivering Phase 1 of the new National Cycle Network route along Bath Road and seeks scheme and spend approval for the Phase 2 programme from Berkeley Avenue to London Road.  |                            |           |
| 13. | <b>JOINT BERKSHIRE LOCAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY BRIDGE MAINTENANCE CHALLENGE FUND BID 2017</b>   | <b>BOROUGHWIDE</b>         | <b>G1</b> |
|     | Councillor Page / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services  |                            |           |
|     | This report sets out a proposed Joint Berkshire Local Authority Bridge Maintenance bid to the Local Highways Maintenance Challenge Fund.  |                            |           |
| 14. | <b>REVALUATION DISCRETIONARY BUSINESS RATES RELIEF SCHEME TO IMPLEMENT NATIONAL BUDGET MEASURES</b>   | <b>BOROUGHWIDE</b>         | <b>H1</b> |
|     | Councillor Lovelock / Director of Finance & Head of Customer Services   |                            |           |
|     | This report provides the Committee with an update on the Chancellor's Spring Budget 2017 changes in relation to Business Rates Relief and seeks approval for a proposed local revaluation Discretionary Relief Scheme and revisions to the existing Discretionary Rate Relief Scheme. |                            |           |
| 15. | <b>BUDGET MONITORING 2017/18</b>  | <b>BOROUGHWIDE</b>         | <b>J1</b> |
|     | Councillor Lovelock / Director of Finance   |                            |           |
|     | This report sets out the budget monitoring position for the Council to the end of July 2017.  |                            |           |

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