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NOTICE OF MEETING - POLICY COMMITTEE 24 MARCH 2020

A meeting of the Policy Committee will be held on Tuesday, 24 March 2020 at 5.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Reading, RG1 2LU. The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR URGENT MEETINGS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

In response to the Covid-19 situation the Monitoring Officer has invoked the urgency provisions of the Constitution at Section 7.7 that provide for a three-member meeting of Policy Committee to take decisions on behalf of the authority.

These provisions allow for the three-member Policy Committee to take urgent decisions on all functions of the authority, including on behalf of other Committees, and full Council.

This meeting is being convened at short notice under the Section 100B (3) (a) of the Local Government Act primarily to consider items of business that had been due to be determined at meetings that have been cancelled as a result of the Council's response to the Covid-19 situation: Strategic Environment, Planning & Transport Committee (16 March 2020), Personnel Committee (18 March 2020) and Council (24 March 2020).

In line with the latest government advice the Council has closed the Civic Offices to the public and there will therefore be no public attendance or participation at this meeting. It will be webcast for live and repeat viewing.

1. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
3. DECISION BOOK REFERENCES
4. PETITIONS AND QUESTIONS

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Petitions and Questions submitted to the cancelled meetings of the Strategic Environment, Planning and Transport Committee and full Council will be responded to in writing and the responses published with this agenda.

5. STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - 16 MARCH 2020 **BOROUGH WIDE** **5 - 770**

To consider the agenda items for the cancelled meeting of the Strategic Environment, Planning and Transport Committee which had been due to take place on 16 March 2020, and take any decisions as required.

6. COUNCIL - 24 MARCH 2020 **BOROUGH WIDE** **771 - 826**

To consider the agenda items for the cancelled meeting of full Council, which had been due to be held on 24 March 2020, and take any decisions as required.

7. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - 18 MARCH 2020 **BOROUGH WIDE** **827 - 850**

To consider the public agenda items for the cancelled meeting of the Personnel Committee which had been due to be held on 18 March 2020, and take any decisions as required.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN CLOSED SESSION

8. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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”

9. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

10. EXEMPT ITEM - PERSONNEL COMMITTEE 18 MARCH 2020 **BOROUGH WIDE** **851 - 854**

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