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NOTICE OF MEETING - HOUSING, NEIGHBOURHOODS AND LEISURE COMMITTEE 8 NOVEMBER 2023

A meeting of the Housing, Neighbourhoods and Leisure Committee will be held on Wednesday, 8 November 2023 at 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading. The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

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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 HOUSING, NEIGHBOURHOODS & LEISURE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6 JULY 2023		5 - 10
3. MINUTES OF OTHER BODIES		11 - 18
Minutes of the Community Safety Partnership meetings held on 13 July 2023 and 14 September 2023.		
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.		
5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COUNCILLORS		19 - 20

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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. READING FESTIVAL UPDATE** **21 - 46**

A presentation by Festival Republic.
- 7. WINTER SERVICE PLAN 2023/24** **47 - 102**

A report informing the Committee of the outputs delivered by the Winter Service Plan 2022-2023, of the Winter Service Plan review carried out to ensure compliance with the Highway Act 1980 and 'Well managed Highway Infrastructure: A Code of Practice' and to inform and seek approval for the Winter Service Plan 2023-2024.
- 8. AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR ROUGH SLEEPING ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMME** **103 - 116**

A report seeking authority to award and enter into new contract arrangements for The Nova Project and 57 Caversham Road (the Pods) from 1 April 2024 to relieve and prevent rough sleeping in Reading.
- 9. PROCUREMENT OF EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION** **117 - 134**

A report recommending the establishment of a pseudo-Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) under the Light Touch Regime to deliver emergency accommodation for families and vulnerable people placed by the Council's Housing Needs department.
- 10. READING CLIMATE FESTIVAL 2023 EVALUATION** **135 - 150**

A report evaluating the 2023 Reading Climate Festival as outlined in Appendix 1 and recognising the efforts of the partners in securing the success of the Festival.

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