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**NOTICE OF MEETING - HOUSING, NEIGHBOURHOODS AND LEISURE COMMITTEE 21 FEBRUARY 2024**

A meeting of the Housing, Neighbourhoods and Leisure Committee will be held on Wednesday, 21 February 2024 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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<b>1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>		
Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests they may have in relation to the items for consideration.		
<b>2. MINUTES OF THE HOUSING, NEIGHBOURHOODS &amp; LEISURE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8 NOVEMBER 2023</b>		<b>5 - 12</b>
<b>3. MINUTES OF OTHER BODIES</b>		<b>13 - 18</b>
Minutes of the Community Safety Partnership meetings held on 8 November 2023		
<b>4. PETITIONS</b>		
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.		
<b>5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COUNCILLORS</b>		

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| <b>6.</b>  | <b>GLL ANNUAL REPORT AND PRESENTATION</b>                         | <b>19 - 30</b>  |
| <p>An update on the performance and delivery of Leisure Services and development of new facilities by Greenwich Leisure Ltd (GLL) and to inform the Committee of the Council's success in securing a £1.5m grant from Sport England Strategic Facilities Fund towards the cost of Rivermead and Palmer Park leisure centres.</p>   |   |                 |
| <b>7.</b>  | <b>HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE UPDATE 2023-24 &amp; PROGRAMME 2024-25</b> | <b>31 - 66</b>  |
| <p>A report giving an update on the progress of year-2 (2023/24) of the Council's additional £8M 5-year (2022/23 to 2026/27) Highway Capital Investment Programme and of year-2 (2023/24) of the Council's additional £4M 2-year (2022/23 to 2023/24) Bridges &amp; Structures Capital Investment Programme. The report also informs the Committee of year-3 of the 3-year Department for Transport (DfT) Highway Maintenance Award 2024/25 Local Transport Block Funding (Integrated Transport &amp; Highway Maintenance) settlement, the additional DfT Road Resurfacing Fund Allocation for Reading of £7.726M and provides an update on the completed Highway Maintenance 2023/24 DfT Local Transport Block Funding Capital Works Programme.</p> |   |                 |
| <b>8.</b>  | <b>NEW READING CENTRAL LIBRARY</b>                                | <b>67 - 88</b>  |
| <p>A report providing an update on progress with the new Reading Central Library, indicating improved provision to bookstock in key areas, highlighting the progress being made to withdraw and dispose of elements of library stock where no longer needed and confirming the approach to planning the move.</p>  |   |                 |
| <b>9.</b>  | <b>DISCRETIONARY LICENSING IN THE PRIVATE RENTED SECTOR</b>       | <b>89 - 182</b> |
| <p>A report seeking authorisation to consult on the implementation of a Boroughwide additional licensing scheme alongside the phased implementation of a selective licensing scheme to drive up conditions and improve the management of the private rented sector.</p>  |   |                 |

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