

Notice of Meeting

Executive

Thursday, 17th February 2011 at 6.30pm

in the Council Chamber, Council Offices,
Market Street, Newbury

Date of despatch of Agenda: Wednesday, 9 February 2011

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Agenda - Executive to be held on Thursday, 17 February 2011 (continued)

To: Councillors Barbara Alexander, Pamela Bale, David Betts, Keith Chopping, Hilary Cole, Graham Jones, Alan Law, Gordon Lundie, Joe Mooney and Anthony Stansfeld

Agenda

Part I

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1. **Apologies for Absence** Verbal Report
To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any).
2. **Minutes** 1 - 10
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 January 2011.
3. **Declarations of Interest** Verbal Report
To receive any Declarations of Interest from Members.
4. **Public Questions**
Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by members of the public in accordance with the Executive Procedure Rules contained in the Council's Constitution.
 - (a) **Question submitted by Mr Richard Garvie to the Leader of the Council**
"After the problems experienced with regards to CCTV in West Berkshire, can Cllr Jones explain why these problems occurred and why Executive Member Anthony Stansfeld and certain council officers had told the local business community and the wider public repeatedly that all of the cameras were working, or the transfer was "95% there", when in fact it was known that half of the cameras were not operational."
 - (b) **Question submitted by Fiona Walker to the Portfolio Holder for Community Care**
"Given that the cuts to the jobs at the Phoenix Centre, and the excellent job done by ROAR for the Countryside Department what are the plans for:
 - (a) the clients and
 - (b) for the service which ROAR does for that West Berkshire Council department?"
 - (c) **Question submitted by Joan Lawrie to be answered by the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Public Protection**
"How can West Berks District Council base their decision to decline the Village Green status when certain aspects of the report are incorrect? There were not any cattle to be taken into consideration for the time periods of the Village Green Application, so why make such an issue about them or was there a mistake in the number of years; the Inspector's statement concerning financial



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interests of the objectors is questionable; that the Area 1's fencing was and is secure and maintained; and the fact that letters from 100 residents have been totally ignored mostly on the basis that they didn't refer to Pincent's Hill as Golf Club lands and the Inspector said he did not give an indication of the number of witnesses he would prefer at the pre-meeting?"

5. **Petitions**

Councillors or Members of the public may present any petition which they have received. These will normally be referred to the appropriate Committee without discussion.

Items as timetabled in the Forward Plan

	Reference	Page(s)
6. Application to Register a Town or Village Green - Village Green 105, Tilehurst (EX2201) (CPT4) <i>Purpose: To ratify the report received from the Inspector appointed by the Council in respect of an application to register a Town or Village Green in relation to Village Green 105, Tilehurst (Pincent's Hill).</i>		11 - 108
7. Financial Performance Report Q3 of 2010/11 (EX2048) (CPT13) <i>Purpose: To inform Members of the latest financial performance of the Council. Please note that Appendix 2(e) to this report is confidential and will be discussed under item 18.</i>		109 - 134
8. Local Government Act 2003 - Borrowing Limits and Annual Investment Strategy 2011/12 (C2180) (CPT13) <i>Purpose: In compliance with The Local Government Act 2003, this report summarises the Council's borrowing limits as set out by CIPFA's Prudential Code, and recommends the Annual Investment Strategy for the coming year.</i>		135 - 142
9. Capital Strategy and Programme 2011-2016 (C2181) (CPP1, CPP2, CPP3, CPT1, CPT2, CPT3, CPT5, CPT6, CPT7, CPT8, CPT9, CPT10, CPT13, CPT15) <i>Purpose: To outline the Council's proposed five year Capital Strategy for 2011 to 2016 including the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) statement and to set out the funding framework for Council's five year Capital programme for 2011/12 to 2015/16.</i>		143 - 178
10. Revenue Budget 2011/12 (C2178) (CPT13) <i>Purpose: To consider and recommend to Council the 2011/12 Revenue Budget.</i>		179 - 300



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| 11. | Interim Medium Term Financial Strategy (C2179)
(CPT13)
<i>Purpose: To inform Members of the medium term financial planning and strategy for the organisation.</i> | 301 - 352 |
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| 12. | West Berkshire Admission Arrangements 2012-13 for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools (EX2160)
(CPP2; CPT9)
<i>Purpose: To determine the West Berkshire Admission for Community and Voluntary Controlled Admission Arrangements.</i> | 353 - 396 |
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Items not timetabled in the Forward Plan

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| 13. | Review of Number of Parish/Town Councillors
(CPT12)
<i>Purpose: To review the number of Councillors on Parish/Town Councils.</i> | 397 - 402 |
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| 14. | Members' Question(s)
Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by Councillors in accordance with the Executive Procedure Rules contained in the Council's Constitution. | |
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| (a) | Question to be answered by the Portfolio Holder for Finance submitted by Councillor Alan Macro
"In view of the fact that the Jobs Fair has been cancelled, could the Executive Member for Economic Development, tell me what the Council is doing to help young people find work?" | |
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| (b) | Question to be answered by the Executive Member Responsible for Procurement submitted by Councillor Royce Longton
"I recently asked for a quotation from the Council's Print Room to print 1000 copies of a flyer advertising the Greening Burghfield campaign, as this is a Council-related project. The price quoted was £180. I subsequently received a quotation of £88 for the same work from a commercial printer. This I accepted and the printer subsequently did an excellent job. Is the Council regularly paying more than double the commercial rate for work done by its own Print Room?" | |
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| (c) | Question to be answered by the Portfolio Holder for Highways, Transport (operational) and ICT submitted by Councillor Keith Woodhams
"Can the Executive Member for Highways & Transport tell me why the waiting room at Newbury bus station remains closed, leaving the elderly and mothers with small children waiting for a bus in the freezing cold weather?" | |
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(d) **Question to be answered by the Portfolio Holder for Highways, Transport (Operational) and ICT submitted by Councillor Keith Woodhams**

“Can the Executive Member for Highways and Transport explain why Newbury Town Council would have been charged £185 for a grit bin which they have now been able to purchase elsewhere for £70?”

15. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

RECOMMENDATION: That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items as it is likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information of the description contained in the paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 specified in brackets in the heading of each item. [Rule 9.10.4 of the Constitution refers.](#)

Part II

16. **Revised Staffing Implications Associated with the Draft 2011/12 Revenue Budget - Adult Social Care (EX2197)** 403 - 438
(CPT10, CPT11, CPT13, CPT14)
(Paragraph 1 – information relating to an individual)
(Paragraph 2 – information identifying an individual)
Purpose: To set out the staffing implications of the reorganisation of Care Management to meet System Transformation requirements and to seek approval to make redundancy payments associated with the restructuring of the Care Management workforce.
17. **Restructuring of Services within Children & Young People (EX2211)** 439 - 454
(Paragraph 1 – information relating to an individual)
(Paragraph 2 – information identifying an individual)
Purpose: To set out information on changes that will be required to services within the Children and Young People Directorate as a consequence of funding changes.
18. **Financial Performance Report Q3 of 2010/11 - Appendix 2(e) (EX2048)** 455 - 456
(CPT13)
(Paragraph 3 – information relating to financial/business affairs of a particular person)
Purpose: To inform Members of the latest financial performance of the Council.

Andy Day
Head of Policy and Communication



West Berkshire Council Plan Priorities and Themes

Council Plan Priorities:

CPP1 – Support our communities through the economic downturn – to alleviate the impact on different communities and individuals who find themselves out of work and/or disadvantaged

CPP2 – Raise levels of educational achievement – improving school performance levels

CPP3 – Reduce crime and the fear of crime

Council Plan Themes:

CPT1 - Better Roads And Transport

CPT2 - Thriving Town Centres

CPT3 - Affordable Housing

CPT4 - High Quality Planning

CPT5 - Cleaner and Greener

CPT6 - Vibrant Villages

CPT7 - Safer and Stronger Communities

CPT8 - A Healthier Life

CPT9 - Successful Schools and Learning

CPT10 - Promoting Independence

CPT11 - Protecting Vulnerable People

CPT12 - Including Everyone

CPO13 - Value for Money

CPO14 - Effective People

CPO15 - Putting Customers First

CPO16 - Excellent Performance Management

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