



Meeting of West Berkshire District Council

Tuesday, 4th March, 2014

Summons and Agenda

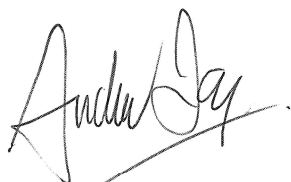


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To: All Members of the Council

You are requested to attend a meeting of
WEST BERKSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
to be held in the
**COUNCIL OFFICES, MARKET STREET,
NEWBURY**

on
Tuesday, 4th March, 2014
at 6.30 pm



Andy Day
Head of Strategic Support
West Berkshire District Council

Date of despatch of Agenda: Monday, 24 February 2014

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any).

2. **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman to report on functions attended since the last meeting and other matters of interest to Members.

3. **MINUTES**

The Chairman to sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 12 December 2013. **(Pages 1 - 18)**

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To remind Members of the need to record the existence and nature of any Personal, Disclosable Pecuniary or other interests in items on the agenda, in accordance with the Members' [Code of Conduct](#).



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5. PETITIONS

Councillors may present any petition which they have received. These will normally be referred to the appropriate body without discussion.

6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Members of the Executive to answer the following question submitted by members of the public in accordance with the Council's Constitution:

(a) **Question to be answered by the Executive Member for Children and Young People, Youth Service, Education submitted by Mrs Maryanne Thomas:**

"West Berkshire has a long standing reputation for appreciating, valuing and supporting the work carried out by volunteers in the community as well as acknowledging the significant economic contribution in terms of time and expertise. In the proposed cuts for 2014/15 the Council is cutting 33% off the budget for vulnerable young people over 2 years. Do these cuts mean that the Council will compromise its standard of support and appreciation of volunteers working with vulnerable young people?"

7. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

The Monitoring Officer to advise of any changes to the membership of Committees since the previous Council meeting. **(Verbal Report)**

8. LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last meeting of the Council, the Licensing Committee has not met.

9. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last meeting of the Council, the Personnel Committee met on 04 February 2014. Copies of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Strategic Support or via the [Council's website](#).

10. GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last meeting of Council, the Governance and Audit Committee met on 10 February 2014. Copies of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Strategic Support or via the [Council's website](#).

11. DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last meeting of the Council, the District Planning Committee has not met.

12. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

The Council is asked to note that since the last meeting of the Council, the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission met on 07 January 2014 (Special Meeting), 21 January 2014 and 25 February 2014. Copies of the Minutes of these meetings can be obtained from Strategic Support or via the [Council's website](#).



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13. STANDARDS COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last meeting of the Council, the Standards Committee met on 13 February 2014. Copies of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Strategic Support or via the [Council's website](#).

14. WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL STRATEGY: REFRESH (C2744)

To present the refreshed Council Strategy. **(Pages 19 - 42)**

15. INVESTMENT AND BORROWING STRATEGY 2014/15 (2747)

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 and Borrowing Strategy for 2014/15. **(Pages 43 - 50)**

16. MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY (MTFS) 2014-17 (C2748)

To inform Members of the medium term financial planning and strategy for the organisation. **(Pages 51 - 68)**

17. CAPITAL STRATEGY AND PROGRAMME 2014/15 TO 2018/19 (C2746)

To outline the five year Capital Strategy for 2014 to 2019, including the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) statement and the Asset Management Plan, and to set out the funding framework for Council's five year Capital Programme for 2014/15 to 2018/19. **(Pages 69 - 128)**

18. REVENUE BUDGET: 2014/15 (C2749)

To consider and recommend to Council the 2014-15 revenue budget. **(Pages 129 - 262)**

19. STATUTORY PAY POLICY STATEMENT (C2646)

To present a Pay Policy Statement to be published from 1st April 2014, for approval. **(Pages 263 - 282)**

20. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY - ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CHARGING SCHEDULE (C2587)

To:

- (a) Consider the Examiner's report into West Berkshire's Draft Charging Schedule;
- (b) Seek approval for the adoption and implementation of a Community Infrastructure Levy. **(Pages 283 - 330)**

21. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION - SCHEME OF DELEGATION (C2770)

To review and amend sections of the Scheme of Delegation in light of legislative changes. **(Pages 331 - 404)**



22. CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION - PART 13 CODES AND PROTOCOLS (C2771)

To review and amend sections of Part 13 (Codes and Protocols) i.e. Appendices A (West Berkshire Code of Conduct for Planning), D (Gifts and Hospitality: A Code of Conduct for Councillors), E (Procedure for Local Determination of Allegation) and G (West Berkshire Code of Conduct for Licensing) in light of legislative changes, policy changes and recent government guidance.

(Pages 405 - 452)

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