

Notice of Meeting

Governance and Ethics Committee

Monday 13 February 2017 at 5.00pm
in Committee Room 1 Council Offices
Market Street Newbury

Date of despatch of Agenda: Friday 3 February 2017

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Agenda - Governance and Ethics Committee to be held on Monday, 13 February 2017
(continued)

To: Councillors Steve Ardagh-Walter, Jeff Beck (Vice-Chairman), Chris Bridges, Graham Bridgman, Keith Chopping (Chairman), James Cole, Barry Dickens, Lee Dillon, Anthony Pick and Quentin Webb

Substitutes: Councillors Billy Drummond, Sheila Ellison and Tim Metcalfe

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| 1 | Apologies
To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any). | |
| 2 | Minutes
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 28 November 2016. | 1 - 6 |
| 3 | Declarations of Interest
To remind Members of the need to record the existence and nature of any personal, disclosable pecuniary or other registrable interests in items on the agenda, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct . | |
| 4 | Forward Plan
<i>Purpose: To consider the Forward Plan for the next 12 months.</i> | 7 - 10 |

Standards Matters

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| 5 | Update on Ethical Matters – Quarter 3 of 2016/17 (GE3092)
<i>Purpose: To provide an update on local and national issues relating to ethical standards and to bring to the attention of the Committee any complaints or other problems within West Berkshire.</i> | 11 - 16 |
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| 6 | Webcasting Procedure (GE3189)
<i>Purpose: To seek approval for the Webcasting Procedure, which outlines the process for choosing which meetings are webcast and offers guidance to those involved.</i> | 17 - 28 |
| 7 | Public Sector Audit Appointments (C3211)
<i>Purpose: To provide Members with the opportunity to discuss the merits of West Berkshire Council opting into the national scheme for auditor appointments for the financial year 2018/19 onwards.</i> | 29 - 80 |
| 8 | Accounting Policies (GE3209)
<i>Purpose: To approve the Accounting Policies that will be used to produce the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017.</i> | 81 - 96 |
| 9 | Internal Audit Interim Report 16-17 (GE3091)
<i>Purpose: To update the Committee on the outcome of internal audit work carried out during the first half of 2016-17.</i> | 97 - 112 |

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