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# Meeting of West Berkshire District Council

**Tuesday 4 July 2017**

## ***Summons and Agenda***

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To: All Members of the Council

*You are requested to attend a meeting of*

**West Berkshire Council**


*to be held in the*

**Council Offices Market Street Newbury**

*on*

**Tuesday 4 July 2017**

**at 7.00pm**



Andy Day  
Head of Strategic Support  
West Berkshire District Council

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Date of despatch of Agenda: Friday 23 June 2017

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## AGENDA

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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 9 May 2017. **(Pages 7 - 20)**



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**4. 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](#).

**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 questions submitted by members of the public in accordance with the Council's Constitution:

- (a) **Question to be answered by the Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Leisure submitted by Ms Judith Bunting:**

*"Can Members of the Council please reassure residents of Newbury and West Berkshire that sufficient sprinklers are provided, or will be required, to protect families, staff and children in the case of serious fire, such as the recent blaze at Grenfell Tower, in local schools and in social and affordable housing developments such as the multi-storey blocks at the Racecourse development, the urban village planned for the Market Street area, and the high rise blocks currently being considered for the Stirling Cables site?"*

- (b) **Question to be answered by the Leader of the Council submitted by Mr Simon Pike:**

*"What methodology and data has the Council used to predict the substantial reductions in the electorate in some polling districts (e.g. Catmore 35% reduction and Falkland 17% reduction) in 2022, that it provided to the Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC) in December 2016 as part of the Boundary Review?"*

- (c) **Question to be answered by the Leader of the Council submitted by Mr Simon Pike:**

*"How does the Council's proposed ward pattern that is built out of current polling districts, which are arbitrary subdivisions of the existing ward pattern, meet the objective of the Local Government Boundary Commission that 'Ward patterns should – as far as possible – reflect community interests and identities'?"*

- (d) **Question to be answered by the Leader of the Council submitted by Mr Tony Vickers:**

*"What impact will the major revision of District wards within the towns of Newbury and Greenham have on town council wards and the way in which town councillors are divided among the new wards?"*



## **Agenda - Council to be held on Tuesday, 4 July 2017 (continued)**

### **7. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES**

The Monitoring Officer to advise of any changes to the membership of Committees since the previous Council meeting.

### **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 has not met.

### **10. GOVERNANCE AND ETHICS COMMITTEE**

The Council is asked to note that since the last meeting of Council, the Governance and Ethics Committee met on 19 June 2017. 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 16 May 2017. Copies of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Strategic Support or via the [Council's website](#).

### **13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY REVIEW (C3319)**

*Purpose: To update Members in relation to the review of the district's boundaries and to the need to review some of the previously approved warding patterns based on greater clarity of the projections used to inform the predicted total number of electors. (Pages 21 - 54)*

### **14. NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES (C3308)**

*Purpose: To increase the number of Members on Licensing Sub-Committees from three to four with no substitute required. (Pages 55 - 58)*

### **15. NOTICES OF MOTION**

There were no Motions submitted for this meeting.

### **16. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

There were no Member Questions submitted in relation to items not included on this agenda.



**Agenda - Council to be held on Tuesday, 4 July 2017 *(continued)***

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