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Executive

Thursday 5 September 2019 at 5.00pm

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

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To:	Councillors Steve Ardagh-Walter, Dominic Boeck, Graham Bridgman, Jeff Cant, Hilary Cole, Lynne Doherty, Rick Jones, Richard Somner and Howard Woollaston
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Agenda

Part I

Pages

1. **Apologies for Absence**
To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any).
2. **Minutes** 7 - 16
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 25 July 2019.
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. **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 Vaughan Miller to the Portfolio Holder for Public Health and Community Wellbeing**
"Are there any areas of disagreement between Sports England, The FA & WBC preventing publication of the Playing Pitch Strategy, which was commissioned in June 2017?"
 - (b) **Question submitted by Mr Thomas Tunney to the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Countryside**
"In relation to the new park at the Nature Discovery Centre. Why does the council keep referring back to using an outdated DDA legislation repealed in 2010 and replaced by the Equalities act when looking into Disability access?"
 - (c) **Question submitted by Mr Thomas Tunney to the Portfolio Holder for Internal Governance**
"While previous attempts by the newspaper have been blocked, do you think it's in the public interest to release details of any minor offences councillor may have committed as a way to for the public to fully understand our elected councillors?"



(d) **Question submitted by Mr Thomas Tunney to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development and Planning**

“With less than 70 days (at time of submission) until the stage of winter, does the council have sufficient beds for SWEP provision without having to require spaces from West Berkshire Homeless?”

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.

Petition to be presented by Mrs Jackie Paynter in relation to the third runway at Heathrow.

Items as timetabled in the Forward Plan

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6.	2019/20 Revenue Financial Performance Report - Quarter One (EX3795) Purpose: To report on the quarter one revenue financial performance.	17 - 60
7.	2019/20 Capital Programme Financial Performance Report - Quarter One (EX3799) Purpose: To report on the quarter one capital financial performance.	61 - 76
8.	Treasury Management Annual Report 2018-19 (EX3806) Purpose: To inform Members of the treasury management activity, including short and long term borrowing, and the performance of the Council's investments for the financial year 2018/19.	77 - 92
9.	Devolution: garage adjacent to Beansheaf Community Centre, Calcot (EX3756) Purpose: To obtain authority to devolve the freehold interest in the garage at the Beansheaf Community Centre, Calcot, from West Berkshire Council to Holybrook Parish Council for a nominal consideration.	93 - 104
10.	Reducing rough sleeping in West Berkshire: A plan to ensure no-one has the need to sleep rough (EX3724) Purpose: To adopt a plan that sets out how the Council intends to address rough sleeping.	105 - 134



11. Protection of Land - Unauthorised Encampments (EX3655) 135 - 152
(CSP:)

Purpose: On the 13th September 2018 a Motion was submitted to Council as follows:

“The Council resolves that an assessment of the susceptibility of each of its green areas in towns and villages to unauthorised encampments be urgently carried out. The assessment should assess each site on its vulnerability to incursions and the likely impact on nearby homes. The assessment to be used to prioritise a programme to improve the security of the sites against future incursions.”

The Motion was referred without debate to Executive. The purpose of this report is therefore to consider the various options in order to fulfil the objectives of the Motion.

Items not timetabled in the Forward Plan

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12. Interim report on progress since declaring a Climate Emergency (information item)	153 - 158
13. Members' Questions Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by Councillors in accordance with the Executive Procedure Rules contained in the Council's Constitution.	
(a) Question submitted by Councillor Carolyne Culver to the Portfolio Holder for Internal Governance <i>“When will environmental impact assessments apply to all projects, as equality impact assessments already do?”</i>	
(b) Question submitted by Councillor Carolyne Culver to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development and Planning <i>“What is the timescale for recruiting an in house ecologist?”</i>	
(c) Question submitted by Councillor Carolyne Culver to the Portfolio Holder for Environment <i>“What is the Council's initial reaction to the results of the ‘Consultation on consistency in household and business recycling collections in England: analysis of responses’ published in July?”</i>	

(d) Question submitted by Councillor Martha Vickers to the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Countryside

“Will the Council reconsider introducing free parking in the Wharf car park in Newbury on Thursdays in order to increase footfall in the town centre on Market Day?”

14. 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 8.10.4 of the Constitution refers.](#)

Part II

- 15. Land on Love Lane (EX3787)** 159 - 182
(Paragraph 3 – information relating to financial/business affairs of particular person)
(Paragraph 5 – information relating to legal privilege)
Purpose: To propose the transfer of an asset.
- 16. Staffing implications due to a proposed Contact Centre Management Restructure (EX3818)** 183 - 186
(Paragraph 1 - information relating to an individual)
(Paragraph 2 - information identifying an individual)
Purpose: To set out the staffing implications which are likely to result from the proposed management restructure of the Council's Contact Centre.

Sarah Clarke
Head of Legal and Strategic Support

West Berkshire Council Strategy Priorities

Council Strategy Priorities:

PC1: Ensure our vulnerable children and adults achieve better outcomes

PC2: Support everyone to reach their full potential

OFB1: Support businesses to start, develop and thrive in West Berkshire

GP1: Develop local infrastructure to support and grow the local economy

GP2: Maintain a green district

SIT1: Ensure sustainable services through innovation and partnerships

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