

Notice of Meeting



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Executive

Thursday 23rd March, 2023 at 5.00 pm

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

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Date of despatch of Agenda: Wednesday, 15 March 2023

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To:	Councillors Lynne Doherty (Chairman), Steve Ardagh-Walter, Dominic Boeck, Graham Bridgman, Ross Mackinnon, Thomas Marino, Richard Somner, Joanne Stewart 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).	7 - 8
2. Minutes To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 9 February 2023.	9 - 14
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 .	15 - 16
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.	17 - 20
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.	21 - 22

Items as timetabled in the Forward Plan

	Pages
6. Local Transport Plan Consultation (EX4337) Purpose: the purpose of the report is to notify the Executive of the work carried out to date on the new plan and the initial public consultation that has taken place on the strategy document.	23 - 84
7. Thatcham and Hungerford Town Centre Strategies (EX4325) Purpose: the report provides an overview and context of the two Town Centre Strategies that have been developed for Thatcham and Hungerford by a consultant team led by Hemingway Design, commissioned by the Council in 2022. The Strategies have been developed in collaboration with residents, stakeholders and Thatcham	85 - 188

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and Hungerford Town Councils. The report also outlines the next steps for delivery of the Strategies and seeks endorsement to take them forward.

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8. **Renewal of the BBOWT partnership for Countryside Management (EX4313)** 189 - 274
Purpose: to set out the current arrangement we have with Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust (BBOWT) for the management of the council's countryside assets and to seek approval for the continuation of this arrangement for a further 10 year term.
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9. **Response to Referred Place Motions (EX4327)** 275 - 308
Purpose: over the last 18 months a number of motions proposed at Full Council meetings have been referred to and discussed at other groups and Boards dealing with functions of the Place Directorate. The purpose of this report is to provide details of actions taken and proposed responses to each of these seven motions.
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10. **Motion to Council - Defibrillators (EX4329)** 309 - 318
Purpose: the report sets out the response to the motion tabled by Councillor Abbs at the 8 July 2021 Council meeting, which called on West Berkshire Council to: adopt redundant telephone boxes and install defibrillators, make residents aware of their locations, provide guidance on how to use them to nearby residents, ensure that they are added to the national database used by emergency services, and undertake ongoing maintenance.
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11. **Achievements and Progress Report - West Berkshire Council Strategy 2019-2023 (EX4342)** 319 - 350
Purpose: the report highlights Council's achievements in delivering the Council Strategy 2019 - 2023. The report articulates the progress that has been made against the Council's core business and priorities for improvement.
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12. **West Berkshire Council Strategy 2023 - 2027 Consultation Feedback - Summary Report** 351 - 380
Purpose: for Members to note the feedback received from the consultation on the Draft Council Strategy that will inform the updated final draft Council Strategy 2023-2027. The updated final draft Council Strategy 2023-2027 shall be considered for approval at the Council meeting in May 2023.
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13. **2022/23 Performance Report Quarter Three (EX4291)** 381 - 402
Purpose: to provide assurance that the core business and council priorities for improvement measures in the Council Strategy 2019-2023 are being managed effectively, and where performance has fallen below the expected level, present information on the remedial action taken and
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the impact of that action.

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14. **Statutory Consultation on Hackney Carriage Tariffs 2023 (EX4298)** 403 - 432
Purpose: to review the published hackney carriage fare scale in light of a request from the Taxi Trade to modify the tariffs and to determine the consultation process that must be undertaken if the Executive resolves to vary the current table of fares.
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15. **Newbury Sports Hub - revised costs and seeking permission to sign Development Management Agreement (EX4332)** 433 - 442
Purpose: to update on the revised capital costs for the Newbury Sports Hub, following the Judicial Review, which can be delivered at cost certainty for £3.878M and progress into a Delivery Agreement with Alliance Leisure Services to complete the scheme.
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16. **Contract Award for Leisure Management Contract (EX4221)** 443 - 462
Purpose: the paper seeks Executive approval to award the Leisure Management Contract following a tender process.
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17. **Contract Award - Building Maintenance Measured Term Contract (EX4294)** 463 - 468
Purpose: the paper seeks Executive approval to award the Building Maintenance Measured Term Contract, following a tender process.
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18. **Members' Questions** 469 - 470
Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by Councillors in accordance with the Executive Procedure Rules contained in the Council's Constitution.
19. **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

20. **Contract Award for Leisure Management Contract (EX4221)** 471 - 494
(Paragraph 6 – information relating to proposed action to be taken by the Local Authority)
Purpose: the paper seeks Executive approval to award the Leisure Management Contract.

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21. **Contract Award - Building Maintenance Measured Term Contract (EX4294)** 495 - 502

(Paragraph 6 – information relating to proposed action to be taken by the Local Authority)

Purpose: the paper seeks Executive approval to award the Building Maintenance Measured Term Contract, following a tender process.

Sarah Clarke
Service Director: Strategy and Governance

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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