



Arising from the Extraordinary Meeting of West Berkshire District Council

Thursday, 20 July, 2023

Summons and Agenda



WestBerkshire
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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

Thursday, 20th July, 2023 arising from the
extraordinary meeting starting at **7.00 pm**



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West Berkshire District Council

Date of despatch of Agenda: Wednesday, 12 July 2023

AGENDA

Part I

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any). **(Pages 7 - 8)**

2. **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman to report on functions attended since the last meeting and other matters of interest to Members. **(Pages 9 - 10)**

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

The Chairman will make presentations to Members qualifying for long service awards **(Pages 11 - 12)**



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4. MINUTES

The Chairman to sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 May 2023. **(Pages 13 - 20)**

5. 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](#). **(Pages 21 - 22)**

6. PETITIONS

Councillors may present any petition which they have received. These will normally be referred to the appropriate body without discussion. **(Pages 23 - 24)**

7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by members of the public in accordance with the Council Procedure Rules contained in the [Council's Constitution](#).

Please note that the list of public questions is shown under Item 7 in the agenda pack **(Pages 25 - 28)**

8. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

The Council to agree any changes to the membership of Committees (if any). **(Pages 29 - 30)**

9. HEDGEHOG HIGHWAYS - PETITION RESPONSE (C4404)

Purpose: The Council received a petition for debate at Full Council on the 6th October to consider establishing Hedgehog Highways in new developments. This report considers the matters raised through the petition and proposes a way forward to support a greater understanding and promotion of the requirements of hedgehogs in West Berkshire. **(Pages 31 - 44)**

10. COMPOSITION OF THE JOINT PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE (C4415)

Purpose: To consider a recommendation from the Joint Public Protection Committee (JPPC), to each partner authority, that the membership of the Committee be increased to three Members from each authority.

To consider recommendations from the Governance Committee, to amend the relevant sections of the Constitution and the Terms of Reference of the JPPC Committee and to extend the Membership of the JPPC Committee to three Members from Each Council.

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11. MOTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

To note the following responses to Motions which have been presented to a previous Council meetings:

- Response to the Motion from Councillor Tony Vickers. On Public Funds for Public Access considered by the Executive on 23 March 2023. A copy of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).
- Response to the Motion from Councillor Jeff Brooks. On assist the regeneration of the Newbury evening economy and provide support to hospitality businesses, including cafes, restaurants and pubs, considered by the Executive on 23 March 2023. A copy of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).
- Response to the Motion from Councillor Jeff Brooks. On booking system at our two HWRCs considered by the Executive on 23 March 2023. A copy of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).
- Response to the Motion from Councillor Adrian Abbs. On adopt telephone boxes for use as an Open Access Defibrillator location. considered by the Executive on 23 March 2023. A copy of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).
- Response to the Motion from Councillor Carlyne Culver. On declare an ecological emergency. Considered by the Executive on 23 March 2023. A copy of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).
- Response to the Motion from Councillor Carlyne Culver. On response to COP26 in Glasgow. Considered by the Executive on 23 March 2023. A copy of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).
- Response to the Motion from Councillor Adrian Abbs. On response High Street Canopies. Considered by the Executive on 23 March 2023. A copy of the Minutes of this meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

12. LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the Licensing Committee met on 25 May 2023 and 10 July 2023. Copies of the Minutes of



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these meeting can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

13. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the Personnel Committee met on 25 May 2023 and 4 July 2023. Copies of the Minutes of these meetings can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

14. GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the Governance Committee met on 25 May 2023 and twice on 26 June 2023. Copies of the Minutes of these meetings can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

15. DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the District Planning Committee met on 25 May 2023. A copy of the minutes can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

16. SCRUTINY COMMISSION

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the Scrutiny Commission met on 25 May 2023, 20 June 2023 and 17 July 2023. Copies of the Minutes of these meetings can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

17. HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the Health Scrutiny Committee met on 25 May 2023 and 13 June 2023. Copies of these minutes can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

18. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the Health and Wellbeing Board met on 28 June 2023 and 13 July 2023. Copies of the Minutes of these meetings can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).



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19. JOINT PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to note that since the last ordinary meeting of the Council, the Joint Public Protection Committee met on 12 June 2023. A copy of the Minutes can be obtained from Democratic Services or via the [Council's website](#).

20. NOTICES OF MOTION

Please note that the list of Motions is shown under Item 20 in the agenda pack.

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21. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by Members of the Council in accordance with the Council Procedure Rules contained in the [Council's Constitution](#).

Please note that the list of Member questions is shown under Item 21 in the agenda pack. **(Pages 55 - 56)**

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