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## Special Scrutiny Commission

**Monday, 17 July 2023 at 6.30pm**  
in Council Chamber Council Offices  
Market Street Newbury

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## Agenda - Scrutiny Commission to be held on Monday, 17 July 2023 (continued)

- To:** Councillors Carolyne Culver (Chairman), Dominic Boeck (Vice-Chairman), Antony Amirtharaj, Paul Dick, Ross Mackinnon, Geoff Mayes, Erik Pattenden, Justin Pemberton, Christopher Read and Denise Gaines
- Substitutes:** Councillors Jeremy Cottam, Billy Drummond, Stuart Gourley, David Marsh, Richard Somner, Joanne Stewart and Howard Woollaston
- Other Members invited:** Councillors Lee Dillon and Denise Gaines

# Agenda

## Part I

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1. <b>Apologies for Absence</b> To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any).	5 - 6
2. <b>Declarations of Interest</b> 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' <a href="#">Code of Conduct</a> .	7 - 8
3. <b>Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman Report Decision Review (Urgent Item)</b> Purpose: To provide details on the recent case which was reviewed by the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (LGSCO). Following investigations, the LGSCO upheld their decision and found there to have been maladministration and injustice in relation to how a homelessness application was managed in December 2020. As part of the sanctions which have been imposed by LGSCO the Council are required to consider the Ombudsman's report at a decision making body made up of elected members.	9 - 26

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