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Executive

Thursday 12 November 2026 at 6.00 pm

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

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Date of despatch of Agenda: Wednesday 4 November 2026

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West Berkshire COUNCIL

To:	Councillors Jeff Brooks (Chairman), Patrick Clark, Heather Codling (Vice-Chairman), Iain Cottingham, Nigel Foot, Denise Gaines, Stuart Gourley, Tom McCann, Justin Pemberton and Vic Poole

Agenda

Part I

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1. **Apologies for Absence** 5 - 6
   To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any).

2. **Portfolio Holder Announcements** 7 - 8
   Member of the Executive to make a statement (if any).

3. **Minutes** 9 - 16
   To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 24 September 2026.

4. **Declarations of Interest** 17 - 18
   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. **Public Questions** 19 - 20
   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.

6. **Petitions** 21 - 22
   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.

Items as timetabled in the Forward Plan

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7. **John O'Gaunt School - Specialist Inclusion Base** 23 - 52
   Purpose: to seek approval for capital funding and inclusion in the Council's capital programme to enable construction of a Specialist Inclusion Base as part of the DfE School Rebuilding Programme (SRP) project to rebuild John O'Gaunt School. To also seek approval to utilise the 'retained land' at the school for the purposes of temporary decant accommodation for the DfE School Rebuilding Programme project.

8. **Contract for Award Under Delegated Authority from Executive** 53 - 60
Purpose: to provide details of forthcoming supply, service and works contract awards that will have a contract value in excess of £2.5m and as such will require approval from Executive during the next quarter. The report provides Executive with visibility of all high value contracting activity and the opportunity to request further information regarding the contract identified.

9. **Members' Questions** 61 - 62
Members of the Executive to answer questions submitted by Councillors in accordance with the Executive Procedure Rules contained in the Council's Constitution.

10. **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 paragraph 6 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 specified in brackets in the heading of each item. Section 10 of Part 10 of the Constitution refers.

Part II

11. **Contract for Award Under Delegated Authority from Executive** 63 - 68
(Paragraph 6 – information relating to proposed action to be taken by the Local Authority)

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