

STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Tuesday 28 November 2017 on the rising of the Extraordinary Council Meeting

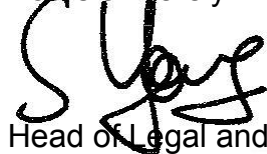
Council Chamber - Epsom Town Hall

The members listed below are summoned to attend the Strategy and Resources Committee meeting, on the day and at the time and place stated, to consider the business set out in this agenda.

Councillor Eber Kington (Chairman)
Councillor Clive Smitheram (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Tony Axelrod
Councillor Kate Chinn
Councillor Neil Dallen

Councillor Hannah Dalton
Councillor Omer Kokou-Tchri
Councillor Humphrey Reynolds
Councillor Mike Teasdale
Councillor Clive Woodbridge

Yours sincerely



Head of Legal and Democratic Services

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AGENDA

1. QUESTION TIME

To take any questions from members of the Public

Please Note: Members of the Public are requested to inform the Democratic Services Officer before the meeting begins if they wish to ask a verbal question at the meeting

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in respect of any item of business to be considered at the meeting.

3. EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 5 - 36)

This report provides an update of the work the Council's External Auditors are carrying out and identifies emerging issues for Committee to note.

4. REVISED PAY & PERFORMANCE SCHEME (Pages 37 - 84)

This report provides an overview of the proposed new Pay & Performance scheme for Epsom & Ewell Borough Council to be implemented in April 2018.

5. BOROUGH INSIGHT (Pages 85 - 90)

This report sets out the benefits of producing the Council's magazine Borough Insight for our community. It seeks approval from the Committee to continue with the production of the magazine in the current formats and frequency.

6. PLANNED MAINTENANCE 6 MONTH UPDATE (Pages 91 - 98)

The report reviews progress and changes to the planned maintenance programme at mid-year and advises of changes made under delegated authority.

7. CIL JIG LOCAL PROJECTS SCHEME (Pages 99 - 114)

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulations encourage collecting authorities without parish councils areas (such as Epsom & Ewell) to spend a portion of their CIL receipts on projects identified or being brought forward by local communities. We have yet to identify a mechanism for discharging this requirement. The Borough Council's CIL Joint Infrastructure Group (JIG) proposes two separate approaches, which would be run in parallel that would allow for a proportion of CIL monies to be allocated to locally identified projects.

8. VAT PARTIAL EXEMPTION MITIGATION OPTIONS REPORT (Pages 115 - 122)

This report sets out the Council's current VAT position and suggests how to mitigate the risk of having to repay to HMRC VAT recovered on expenditure relating to exempt income.

9. LEASING OPTION OF DEFOE COURT (Pages 123 - 140)

To consider the principle of acquiring the flexible use of 24 units of accommodation at Defoe Court, East Street, Epsom as additional in-borough Temporary Accommodation, subject to negotiation with Sanctuary Housing Association

10. SCHEME FOR MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES (Pages 141 - 158)

This report asks the Committee to consider the report of the Independent Remuneration Panel and to make recommendations to Council on the Council's Scheme for Members' Allowances.

11. WRITE-OFF - SECTION 106 AGREEMENT (Pages 159 - 164)

A report seeking to write-off sums invoiced pursuant to a section 106 Agreement in relation to a development at Linton's Lane, Epsom.

12. REVENUES WRITE-OFFS OVER £20,000 (Pages 165 - 168)

This report seeks approval to write off a debt of over £20,000.

13. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 169 - 182)

The Committee is asked to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Special and Ordinary meetings of the Strategy and Resources Committee held on 19 September 2017 and 26 September 2017 respectively and to authorise the Chairman to sign them.

14. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (Pages 183 - 184)

The Committee is asked to consider whether it wishes to pass a resolution to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the business involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended) and that pursuant to paragraph 10 of Part 2 of the said Schedule 12A the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

15. ICT SERVICE (Pages 185 - 194)

This report has not been published because the meeting is likely to be closed to the press and public in view of the nature of the business to be transacted/nature of the proceedings. The report deals with information relating to the business affairs of the Council and the public interest in maintaining the exemption currently outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.