



To: All Members of the Council

Dear Councillor,

COUNCIL - TUESDAY, 13TH MAY, 2025 , Council Chamber - Epsom Town Hall

Please find attached the following document(s) for the meeting of the Council to be held on Tuesday, 13th May, 2025.

ITEM 3 a) APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (PAGES 3 - 6)

To appoint the Leader of the Council.

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Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive

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APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Head of Service:	Piero Ionta, Head of Legal and Monitoring Officer
Report Author:	Tim Richardson
Wards affected:	(All Wards);
Appendices (attached):	None

Summary

To appoint the Leader of the Council.

Recommendation (s)

The Council is asked to:

- (1) Appoint the Leader of the Council to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2026**

1 Reason for Recommendation

- 1.1 The Council agreed to adopt updates to its Constitution at its meeting of 6 May 2025, including a new FCR 2.1 (iii) of Appendix 4 to the Constitution and Annex 4-10 of the Operating Framework which relate to the appointment of a Leader of the Council.
- 1.2 FCR 2.1 (iii) requires the Council to appoint a Leader at its Annual Meeting.

2 Background

- 2.1 This report invites the Council to appoint a Leader to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2026 in accordance with FCR 2.1 (III) of the Constitution and paragraph 2.1 of Annex 4-10 of the Operating Framework.

3 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

- 3.1 Equality Impact Assessment

3.1.1 No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

3.2 Crime & Disorder

3.2.1 No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

3.3 Safeguarding

3.3.1 No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

3.4 Dependencies

3.4.1 No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

3.5 Other

3.5.1 No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

4 Financial Implications

4.1 No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

4.2 **Section 151 Officer's comments:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

5 Legal Implications

5.1 No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

5.2 **Legal Officer's comments:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

6.1 **Council's Key Priorities:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

6.2 **Service Plans:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

6.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

6.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

6.5 **Partnerships:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

6.6 **Local Government Reorganisation Implications:** No comments are provided on the appointment of the Leader.

7 Background papers

7.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

Previous reports:

- None.

Other papers:

- [FCR 2.1 \(iii\) of the Constitution, approved by the Council, 6 May 2025.](#)
- [Annexe 4-10 of the Operating Framework, approved by the Council, 6 May 2025.](#)

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