

STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday 12 December 2023 at 6.30 pm

Place: Council Chamber, Epsom Town Hall

Online access to this meeting is available on YouTube: Link to online broadcast

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 Neil Dallen (Chair) Councillor Hannah Dalton (Vice-Chair) Councillor Chris Ames Councillor Shanice Goldman

Councillor Graham Jones Councillor Alison Kelly Councillor Robert Leach Councillor Alan Williamson

Yours sincerely

Chief Executive

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Exclusion of the Press and the Public

There are matters scheduled to be discussed at this meeting that would appear to disclose confidential or exempt information under the provisions of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). The Committee is likely to resolve to exclude the press and public during discussion of these matters by virtue of the private nature of the business to be transacted.

Questions and statements from the Public

Questions and statements from the public are not permitted at this Special meeting of this Committee. Annex 4.2 of the Epsom & Ewell Borough Council Operating Framework sets out which Committee meetings are able to receive public questions and statements, and the procedure for doing so.

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AGENDA

1. 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.

2. LOCAL PLAN BUDGET RESOURCES (Pages 5 - 12)

The report provides an updated financial position regarding progressing the Epsom and Ewell Local Plan (2022-2040) towards submission and subsequent adoption in accordance with the timescales defined in the recently published Local Development Scheme (November 2023).

The Licencing and Planning Policy Committee on the 22 November 2023 agreed to report the estimated shortfall in funding for completing the Local Plan to the Strategy and Resources Committee with a request to secure funding for the £629,000 shortfall.

3. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** (Pages 13 - 14)

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.

4. COMMERCIAL PROPERTY (Pages 15 - 40)

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 financial or business affairs of the Council and the public interest in maintaining the exemption currently outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.