Democratic Services

STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Tuesday 10 November 2026 at 7.30 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 John Beckett
Councillor Alex Coley
Councillor Kate Chinn
Councillor Shanice Goldman
Councillor Robert Leach
Councillor Humphrey Reynolds

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

Up to 30 minutes will be set aside for questions and statements from members of the public at meetings of this Committee. Any member of the public who lives, works, attends an educational establishment or owns or leases land in the Borough may ask a question or make a statement on matters within the Terms of Reference of the Committee.

All questions must consist of one question only and cannot consist of multiple parts. Questions and statements cannot relate to planning or licensing committees matters, the personal affairs of an individual, or a matter which is exempt from disclosure or confidential under the Local Government Act 1972. Questions which in the view of the Chair are defamatory, offensive, vexatious or frivolous will not be accepted. Each question or statement will be limited to 3 minutes in length.

If you wish to ask a question or make a statement at a meeting of this Committee, please contact Democratic Services at: democraticservices@epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Questions must be received in writing by Democratic Services by noon on the fifth working day before the day of the meeting. For this meeting this is **Noon, 3 November 2026**.

A written copy of statements must be received by Democratic Services by noon on the working day before the day of the meeting. For this meeting this is **Noon, 9 November 2026**.

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AGENDA

1. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

To take any questions or statements from members of the Public.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or other registrable or non-registrable interests from Members in respect of any item to be considered at the meeting.

3. RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION (Pages 5 - 14)

This report shares with the committee the consultation request from Surrey Fire and Rescue Service on the proposed governance model and the Council's response to the consultation. The response has already been sent and published on Members' News, but it is shared here as required by the Constitution.

4. EXCEPTIONAL CIL-RELATED EX GRATIA PAYMENT POLICY (Pages 15 - 34)

An existing case and request for an ex-gratia payment has prompted consideration of whether the Council should adopt a general framework for exceptional Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) related ex gratia requests.

5. CONFERRING THE TITLE OF HONORARY FREEWOMAN (Pages 35 - 42)

The report invites the Committee to recommend conferring the title of Honorary Freewoman on:

1. Barbara Warwick
2. Judy Sarssam

in recognition of their eminent services to the Borough.

6. UPDATE FROM THE TOWN TWINNING WORKING GROUP (Pages 43 - 46)

This report provides updates from the Town Twinning Working Group and other recent developments. It proposes the closure of the Town Twinning Working Group following notification that the Bucha Epsom Association does not wish to proceed at the present time.

7. URGENT DECISION (Pages 47 - 52)

To report to the committee a decision taken by the Director of Housing, Environment and Regeneration on the grounds of urgency, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

8. REQUEST FOR AN ITEM OF BUSINESS UNDER CPR 3 OF APPENDIX 5 OF THE CONSTITUTION: TO UPDATE THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRESS OF THE WORK BEING UNDERTAKEN ON EEBC STRATEGIC PRIORITY: HOOK ROAD ARENA (Pages 53 - 56)

This report informs the Committee of a request made under CPR 3 of Appendix 5 of the Constitution for an item of business to be included on the agenda.

9. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 57 - 70)

The Committee is asked to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Ordinary and Extraordinary meetings of the Committee held on 14 July 2026 and Restricted Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Committee held on 14 July 2026 (attached) and to authorise the Chair to sign them.

10. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (Pages 71 - 72)

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.