

1 April 2015

To: Councillor Lovelock (Chair)
Councillors Davies, Duveen, Eden, Ennis,
Gavin, Gittings, Hopper, Hoskin, Page,
Skeats, Terry, White and Willis

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NOTICE OF MEETING - POLICY COMMITTEE - 13 APRIL 2015

A meeting of the Policy Committee will be held on Monday 13 April 2015 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Reading. The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Please Note - the Committee will first consider items in closed session. Members of the press and public will be asked to leave the Chamber for a few minutes.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN CLOSED SESSION

The following motion will be moved by the Chair:

"That, pursuant to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) members of the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following items on the agenda, as it is likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant Paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of that Act"

<u>ACTION</u>	<u>WARDS AFFECTED</u>	<u>PAGE NO</u>
1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS	-	-
2. LEISURE CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT SYSTEM Councillor Gittings / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	BOROUGHWIDE	A1
3. SCHOOL EXPANSION PROGRAMME - APPROVAL TO ENTER CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS Councillor Ennis / Director of Children, Education & Early Help Services	BOROUGHWIDE	A4

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| 4. | LED STREET LIGHTING - INVEST TO SAVE PROJECT | BOROUGHWIDE | A14 |
| | Councillor Page / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services | | |

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PUBLIC SESSION

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| 5. | CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS | | |
| 6. | DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST | | |
| | Councillors to declare any interests they may have in relation to the items for consideration in public session. | | |
| 7. | MINUTES | | |
| | To confirm the Minutes of the Policy Committee meeting on 16 March 2015. | | B1 |
| 8. | QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS | - | - |
| | To receive any Questions from Councillors and the Public, and any petitions from the public. | | |
| 9. | DECISION BOOK REFERENCES | - | - |
| 10. | COUNCIL HOUSE BUILDING PROGRAMME UPDATE | BOROUGHWIDE | C1 |
| | Councillor Davies / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services | | |
| | This report provides an update on the progress of the Council's House Building programme and seeks approval for the broad principles of the Design Standards (Employers' Requirements) for new council houses. | | |
| 11. | DRAFT CULTURE & HERITAGE STRATEGY | BOROUGHWIDE | D1 |
| | Councillor Gittings / Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services | | |
| | This report presents the draft Culture and Heritage Strategy and provides an update on a Reading Year of Culture in 2016. | | |

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| 12. SCHOOL ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS 2016 | BOROUGHWIDE | E1 |
| <p>Councillor Ennis / Director of Children, Education & Early Help Services</p> | | |
| <p>This report invites the Committee to determine the admissions arrangements for community primary schools in Reading for the school year beginning in September 2016 and the coordination schemes for primary and secondary schools.</p> | | |
| 13. REVIEW OF FINANCIAL CRISIS SUPPORT SCHEME | BOROUGHWIDE | F1 |
| <p>Councillor Lovelock / Managing Director</p> | | |
| <p>This report reviews the operation of the Financial Crisis Support Scheme since its introduction in April 2013, and makes recommendations for changes in the final year of the scheme which is due to end in March 2016.</p> | | |
| 14. TACKLING POVERTY IN READING - PROGRESS REPORT | BOROUGHWIDE | G1 |
| <p>Councillor Lovelock / Managing Director</p> | | |
| <p>This report presents progress made on delivering the Tackling Poverty in Reading action plan.</p> | | |
| 15. PARLIAMENTARY GENERAL ELECTION - INDEMNITY | BOROUGHWIDE | H1 |
| <p>Councillor Lovelock / Managing Director</p> | | |
| <p>This report requests an indemnity in respect of any claims made against the (Acting) Returning Officer in respect of the 2015 general election, and future elections, which are not covered by the Council's insurance policy.</p> | | |