



WELWYN HATFIELD

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You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET to be held on Tuesday 7 November 2023 at 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE.

AGENDA PART 1

1. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 10 October 2023 (previously circulated).

2. APOLOGIES

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PETITIONS

Up to thirty minutes will be made available for questions from members of the public on issues relating to the work of the Cabinet and to receive any petitions.

4. ACTIONS STATUS REPORT (Pages 5 - 8)

Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation) on the status of actions agreed at the last Cabinet meeting.

5. NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 16

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS

To note declarations of Members' disclosable pecuniary interests, non-disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests in respect of items on the Agenda.

7. ITEMS REQUIRING KEY DECISION

To consider the following items for decision in the current Forward Plan:-

- (a) FP1189 COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME (Pages 9 - 12)

Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CABINET PANELS

Recommendations from the meeting of the Cabinet Housing Panel on 30th October 2023:

Copies of the reports can be found here: [Agenda for Cabinet Housing Panel on Monday 30th October 2023, 7.30 pm – Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council \(welhat.gov.uk\)](https://www.welhat.gov.uk/agenda-for-cabinet-housing-panel-on-monday-30th-october-2023-7.30-pm-welwyn-hatfield-borough-council)

- (a) FP1999 PROPOSAL TO END THE USE OF FLEXIBLE (5 YEAR FIXED TERM) TENANCIES

To note the report's findings in terms of the effectiveness of fixed term tenancies, and the feedback from the public consultation undertaken which overwhelmingly supports the ending of fixed term tenancies and the transfer to secure tenancies.

To recommend to Cabinet that fixed term tenancies should end with immediate effect and that all new tenancies are granted as secure council tenancies.

- (b) FP2006 ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR POLICY

Members recommend to Cabinet the adoption of the updated ASB Policy (as set out at Appendix A).

Members recommend to Cabinet the adoption of the updated ASB Strategy 2023-2025 (as set out at Appendix B).

- (c) FP1198 DAMP AND MOULD POLICY

Cabinet Housing Panel are asked to note the self-assessment that we undertook of our approach to damp and mould against the Housing Ombudsman's guidance and the proposed actions to enhance our approach further.

Cabinet Housing Panel are asked to note and agree the Damp and Mould Policy.

If Cabinet Housing Panel unanimously agree the Damp and Mould Policy, that the Panel agree that the decision to approve the policy be taken by the executive member using their delegated powers.

- (d) INTRODUCTION OF A PET POLICY

- RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET HOUSING PANEL

9. CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT - QUARTER 2 (Pages 13 - 24)
Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).
10. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT - QUARTER 2 (Pages 25 - 60)
Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).
11. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID YEAR REPORT (Pages 61 - 70)
Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).
12. RISK MANAGEMENT - QUARTER 2 RISK REGISTERS (Pages 71 - 120)
Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).
13. PERFORMANCE EXCEPTION REPORT (Pages 121 - 128)
Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).
14. VISION AND PRIORITIES 2023-26 (Pages 129 - 142)
Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation)
15. COUNCIL ACHIEVEMENT LIST QUARTER 2 (Pages 143 - 148)
Report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).
16. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, IS OF SUFFICIENT URGENCY TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION
17. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Cabinet is asked to resolve:

That under Section 100(A)(2) and (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be now excluded from the meeting for Item 18 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of confidential or exempt information as defined in Section 100(A)(3) and Paragraph 3 (private financial or business information) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act (as amended).

In resolving to exclude the public in respect of the exempt information, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

PART II

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF A CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT NATURE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

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