



WELWYN HATFIELD

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Please ask for:
Graham Seal

25 August 2017

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET to be held on Tuesday 5 September 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE.

Yours faithfully

Executive Director
Public Protection, Planning and Governance

AGENDA PART 1

1. APOLOGIES
2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PETITIONS

Up to fifteen 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.

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 8 August 2017 (previously circulated).

4. ACTIONS STATUS REPORT (Pages 5 - 6)

Report of the Executive Director (Public Protection, Planning and Governance) on the status of actions agreed at the last Cabinet meeting.

5. NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 13

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 RELATING TO THE BUDGET AND POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL

To consider the following items:-

(a) Older Persons Housing Strategy 2017 -2022 (Forward Plan Reference FP814) (Pages 7 - 54)

Report of the Executive Director (Housing and Communities) on the adoption of an updated strategy following consultation.

(b) External Auditor Appointment (Pages 55 - 58)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the arrangements for the appointment of an external auditor from 2018/19.

8. ITEM REQUIRING KEY DECISION

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

(a) Property Company (Forward Plan Reference FP794) (Pages 59 - 68)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the establishment of a commercial property company limited by shares and wholly owned by the Council (circulated separately).

9. REPORT FROM SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE (Pages 69 - 72)

To note the formal Minutes of the Social Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 7 August 2017 which met to consider the call-in of the Cabinet decision on 11 July 2017 to approve the transfer of the freehold of Goldings House, Hatfield to Paradigm Housing Group.

The Sub-Committee did not refer the decision back to the Cabinet for reconsideration, so the original Cabinet decision stands (Minute 24 refers).

10. PERFORMANCE EXCEPTION REPORT - QUARTER 1 (2017/18) (Pages 73 - 84)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) summarising strategic performance data for the first quarter of 2017/18.

11. COUNCIL ACHIEVEMENTS LIST - QUARTER 1 (2017/18) (Pages 85 - 90)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) summarising key achievements and service improvements for the first quarter of 2017/18.

12. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER PROCUREMENT BOARD FOR THE STREETSCENE AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS (Pages 91 - 92)

Report of the Executive Director (Public Protection, Planning and Governance) on the appointment of a Member Procurement Board for the Streetscene and Grounds Maintenance Contracts.

13. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, IS OF SUFFICIENT URGENCY TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION:

14. 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 items 15 to 17 and 18 (if any) on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of confidential or exempt information as defined in Section 100A(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

15. ITEMS OF AN EXEMPT NATURE REQUIRING KEY DECISION

To consider the following items of an exempt nature for decision in the current Forward Plan:-

(a) Highview Redevelopment Procurement (Forward Plan Reference FP808) (Pages 93 - 102)

Exempt report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the appointment of the contractor as the developer for the centre.

- (b) Textiles Contract Extension (Forward Plan Reference FP816) (Pages 103 - 104)

Exempt report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the extension of the existing contract.

16. RENEWAL OF INSURANCE POLICIES 2017/18 (Pages 105 - 110)

Exempt report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the decision taken under delegated authority to approve insurance renewal terms.

17. NON DOMESTIC RATES WRITE OFFS (Pages 111 - 114)

Exempt report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on two non-domestic rates write offs of over £10,000.

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

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