



WELWYN HATFIELD

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Please ask for:
Graham Seal

29 December 2017

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET to be held on Tuesday 9 January 2018 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 5 December 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 10

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) Council Tax Base 2018/19 (Forward Plan Reference FP817) (Pages 7 - 12)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the calculation of the Council Tax Base for 2018/19.

(b) Budget Proposals and Medium Term Forecasts 2018/19 (Forward Plan Reference FP818) (Pages 13 - 148)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) presenting the budget proposals for 2018/19.

(Note: This report will be considered at the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 18 January 2018. Members of the Committee are asked to please bring their copies of the report with them to that meeting).

(c) Equality Policy (Forward Plan Reference FP832) (Pages 149 - 176)

Recommendation from the meeting of the Social Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 22 November 2017 proposing a revised Equality Policy for the Council.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT (Pages 177 - 202)

Report of the Executive Director (Public Protection, Planning and Governance) on the current strategic risks facing the Council.

9. APPOINTMENT TO PROCUREMENT PROJECT BOARD

To appoint Councillor S.Elam as a Member of the Splashlands Procurement Board to fill the vacancy left by former Councillor R.Basch.

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

11. 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 12, 13 and 14 (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

12. ITEMS OF AN EXEMPT NATURE REQUIRING KEY DECISION

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

- (a) Award of Contract for External Aids and Adaptions Work to Council Housing (Forward Plan Reference FP833) (Pages 203 - 206)

Exempt report of the Executive Director (Housing and Communities) detailing the procurement process and the award of contract for these works.

13. EXEMPT RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET PANEL

- (a) Campus West Cabinet Panel - 16 November 2017 (Pages 207 - 212)

To agree the proposed 2018/19 fees and charges for Campus West applicable from 1 April 2018 to go for consideration to the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 18 January for report back to the Special Cabinet meeting on 23 January and recommendation to the Council meeting on 5 February 2018 as part of the budget process.

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

Circulation: Councillors J.Dean (Leader) M.Perkins
D.Bell B.Sarson
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