



WELWYN HATFIELD

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Please ask for:
Graham Seal

23 August 2018

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET to be held on Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE.

Yours faithfully

Corporate 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 7 August 2018 (previously circulated).

4. **ACTIONS STATUS REPORT (Pages 7 - 8)**

Report of the Corporate 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 14**

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) Equality Scheme 2018-21 (Forward Plan Reference FP856) (Pages 9 - 36)

Report of the Corporate Director (Housing and Communities) proposing a revised Equality Scheme for Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council.

- (b) Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Eligibility Criteria Consultation (Pages 37 - 52)

Recommendation from the meeting of the Cabinet Planning and Parking Panel on 9 August 2018 on the proposed introduction of a local eligibility criteria and fees for registration on the Register for self-build and custom housebuilding.

8. ITEMS REQUIRING KEY DECISION

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

- (a) Review of the Medium Term Financial Strategy (Forward Plan Reference FP874) (Pages 53 - 62)

Report of the Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on a review of the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

- (b) Homelessness Reduction Act and Temporary Accommodation Update (Forward Plan Reference FP879) (Pages 63 - 76)

Report of the Corporate Director (Housing and Communities) on the impact of the Act and use of Government support grant.

- (c) Business Rates Retention Pilot (Forward Plan Reference FP878) (Pages 77 - 80)

Report of the Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on a pilot scheme for business rates retention.

9. RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET PANEL

To consider the following Cabinet Panel recommendation:-

(a) Cabinet Planning and Parking Panel - 9 August 2018 (Pages 81 - 106)

Resident parking schemes and verge protection orders in the Lemsford Road, French Horn Lane and Aldykes areas of Hatfield.

10. ITEM REQUIRING KEY DECISION NOT IN THE FORWARD PLAN

To consider the following item for decision not in the current Forward Plan:-

(a) Accelerated Construction Programme (Pages 107 - 110)

Report of the Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on Government support to local authorities to develop land for housing.

(Note: The Chairman of the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been given notice that it was impracticable to comply with the requirement that at least twenty eight days notice must be given of the intention to consider the item in the private section of the meeting in accordance with Regulation 10 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 because it was urgent and could not reasonably be deferred for the reason specified).

The reason for this item is to enable the Council to accept the funding offer from Homes England.

11. INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL PROCUREMENT BOARD (Pages 111 - 114)

Report of the Corporate Director (Public Protection, Planning and Governance) on the terms of reference for the new General Procurement Board appointed by the Cabinet.

12. PERFORMANCE EXCEPTION REPORT - QUARTER 1 (2018/19) (Pages 115 - 124)

Report of the Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) summarising strategic performance data from the last performance clinic for quarter 1 (2018/19).

13. COUNCIL'S ACHIEVEMENT LIST - QUARTER 1 (2018/19) (Pages 125 - 130)

Report of the Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) summarising key achievements and service improvements for Quarter 1 (2018/19).

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

15. 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 16 and 17 (if any) 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

16. 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) Parking Enforcement and Management Contract (Forward Plan Reference FP875) (Pages 131 - 136)

Exempt report of the Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the arrangements for the car park enforcement and management contract.

(b) Award of Contract for Rural and Amenity Landscape Maintenance (Forward Plan Reference FP876) (Pages 137 - 140)

Exempt report of the Corporate Director (Public Protection, Planning and Governance) on the procurement process and award of contract for these works.

(c) Award of Footway Repair Contract (Forward Plan Reference FP871) (Pages 141 - 144)

Exempt report of the Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the procurement process and award of contract for this work.

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

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