Part I Item No: 4

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING – 20 DECEMBER 2022

<u>COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 14 QUESTIONS – QUESTIONS BY THE PUBLIC</u>

Notice of the following questions has been received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 14:-

1. <u>Question to the Deputy Leader and Executive Member, Planning and Resources,</u> from Karen Winbow

"Following the discussions had by the CPPP and the Cabinet concerning the future of the Local Plan, will the Council ensure that its elected members are given sufficient opportunity to discuss the proposed way forward with their residents in order that a full debate on this important matter can take place - even if this means deferring this item today? This is a really important decision with far reaching consequences that cannot be taken lightly and it is fair that residents' views are represented by members. It is undemocratic to expect members to vote on something that has only been recommended by Cabinet on Friday evening without the opportunity to consult residents. I request that this matter be deferred for a month to allow consultation with residents to take place."