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TO: EVERY MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND the Meeting of the Council of the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead to be held in the **Pearce Suite, Magnet Leisure Centre, Maidenhead** on **Tuesday, 15 December 2015 at 6.30 pm** for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out hereunder.

Dated this Monday, 7 December 2015



Managing Director

Reverend Quick will say prayers for the meeting.
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A G E N D A

PART 1

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence

2. COUNCIL MINUTES

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2015 (page 9)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interests in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting.

4. PETITION FOR DEBATE

An e-petition containing 1392 signatories was submitted to the Council on 8 October 2015. In accordance with the provisions of the Council's Constitution, it was requested by the lead petitioner that the petition be reported to, and debated at, a full Council meeting.

The petition reads as follows:

'We the undersigned petition The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead to retain all the land at Ray Mill Road East, Maidenhead, currently designated as public open space, under council ownership and ensure that the majority of the land remains so designated and incorporates nature as an integral feature for the benefit of future generations'

The Constitution provides for a maximum time of 30 minutes to debate such petitions; this can be overruled at the Mayor's discretion.

In accordance with the Constitution, the order of speaking shall be as follows:

- a) The Mayor may invite the relevant officer to set out the background to the petition issue.
- b) The Lead Petitioner to address the meeting on the petition (5 minutes maximum)
- c) The Mayor to invite any relevant Ward Councillors present to address the meeting. (Maximum time of 3 minutes each for this purpose)
- d) The Mayor to invite the relevant officer to provide any further comment.
- e) The Mayor will invite all Members to debate the matter (Rules of Debate as per the Constitution apply)

5. PETITION FOR DEBATE

An e-petition containing 552 signatories, accompanied by a paper petition containing over 500 signatures, was submitted to the Council on 1 November 2015. In accordance with the provisions of the Council's Constitution, it was requested by the lead petitioner that the petition be reported to, and debated at, a full Council meeting.

The petition reads as follows:

'We the undersigned petition The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead to create a safe route to school for children that live within a mile of Holyport College'

The Constitution provides for a maximum time of 30 minutes to debate such petitions; this can be overruled at the Mayor's discretion.

In accordance with the Constitution, the order of speaking shall be as follows:

- a) The Mayor may invite the relevant officer to set out the background to the petition issue.
- b) The Lead Petitioner to address the meeting on the petition (5 minutes maximum)
- c) The Mayor to invite any relevant Ward Councillors present to address the meeting. (Maximum time of 3

minutes each for this purpose)

- d) The Mayor to invite the relevant officer to provide any further comment.
- e) The Mayor will invite all Members to debate the matter (Rules of Debate as per the Constitution apply)

6. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive such communications as the Mayor may desire to place before the Council (page 27)

7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

a) Andrew Hill will ask the following question of Councillor Burbage:

Does the Council believe in the principle that as wide a range of people as possible are able to participate as School Governors - and if so what steps are taken to achieve this?

b) Andrew Hill will ask the following question of Councillor Burbage:

What does the Council's company called "Two5Nine" Ltd do?

c) Rachel Cook will ask the following question of Councillor Mrs Bateson:

As the council strives to be open and transparent then please explain why I have not been provided with the data (apart from resident's names and addresses of course) from the latest RBWM survey which, over the summer, asked residents to nominate local green spaces for protection in the Borough Plan? I have already requested this in my voluntary capacity as a member of the working group on the Maidenhead and Cox Green local plan and so far I have been unable to obtain this data. I think it is important that we have this evidence to demonstrate what residents consider are important local green spaces.

d) Rachel Cook will ask the following question of Councillor D. Wilson:

Paragraph 73 of the NPPF states that open space makes an important contribution to the health and wellbeing of communities.

Paragraph 74. Of the NPPF states that existing open space should not be built on unless an assessment has been undertaken which clearly shows the open space, to be surplus to requirements

Therefore can you publically provide the assessment (as required by the National Planning Policy Framework, section 74) that clearly shows why this council considers the public open space at Ray Mill Road East (Deerswood Meadow) surplus to requirements, allowing it to be sold off?

e) Craig McDermott will ask the following question of Councillor D. Wilson:

Your ward at Riverside has been recognised as having a deficit of public open space both within the council's 2008 open space audit and the current Infrastructure Delivery Plan (2013 - 2030) and so how can you justify losing more of it, which will happen, if the council sells off the public open space at Ray Mill Road East?

Natalie Hill will ask the following question of Councillor Dudley:

Your ward at Riverside has been recognised as having a deficit of public open space both within the council's 2008 open space audit and the current Infrastructure Delivery Plan (2013-2030) and so how can you justify losing more of it, which will happen, if the council sells the public open space at Ray Mill Road East?

Jan Stannard will ask the following question of Councillor Dudley:

The latest council studies show that your ward has a deficit of open space, so I would like to ask what you think about the fact that building on this open space would make this deficit worse?"

Kate Jesseman will ask the following question of Councillor D. Wilson:

My question is simple when will Maidenhead Council stop the destruction of our heritage of enjoying small pieces of open wildlife space such as Deerswood Meadow, in the name of housing and development?

f) Christine Gill will ask the following question of Councillor D. Wilson and Councillor Dudley:

Has the proposed development land at Ray Mill Road East been promised or offered to any building company either verbally or in writing

g) Tony Gale will ask the following question of Councillor D. Wilson:

Can the Council confirm that no final decision will be made about any plans for the publicly owned open space off Ray Mill Road East until all environmental and

public access issues have been fully addressed and made publicly available ?

h) Jan Stannard will ask the following question of Councillor D Wilson:

Why did the housing site assessment in the consultation to the Local Borough Plan state that there were “no known conservation issues relating to the public open space at Ray Mill Road East” when it is common knowledge (over the last 20 years at least) that there is an unusually high population of toads here and the common toad has been listed as a Biodiversity Action Plan priority species deserving consideration and protection from adverse development?

Natalie Hill will ask the following question of Councillor Dudley

Why was the land at Ray Mill Road East considered to have "no known conservation issues" when the toad patrol has been there for about 20 years and there are toad warning road signs?

(A Member responding to a question shall be allowed up to five minutes to reply to the initial question and up to two minutes to reply to a supplementary question. The questioner shall be allowed up to 1 minute to put the supplementary question)

8. PETITIONS

To receive any petitions presented by Members on behalf of registered electors for the Borough under Rule C.10.

(Any Member submitting a petition has up to 2 minutes to summarise its contents)

9. APPROVAL OF AN AMENDED PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2015/16

To consider the above report (page 31)

10. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCE SCHEME - FULL REVIEW AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

To consider the above report (page 45)

11. STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

To consider the above report (page 83)

12. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES - GAMBLING ACT 2005

To consider the above report (page 117)

13. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

To consider the above report (page 143)

14. COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW BRAY PARISH - APPROVAL OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

To consider the above report (page 155)

15. 2015/16 BUDGET DECISIONS: ADULTS SOCIAL CARE

To consider the above report (page 175)

16. COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN 2016-2020

To consider the above report (page 181)

17. DELEGATION OF PLANNING FUNCTIONS WITHIN BRAY PARISH

To consider the above report (page 199)

18. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

(The Member responding has up to 5 minutes to address Council. The Member asking the question has up to 1 minute to submit a supplementary question. The Member responding then has a further 2 minutes to respond.)

a) Question submitted by Councillor Pryer to Councillor Cox, Lead Member for Environmental Services

Puppy Farming has received significant media coverage recently, I am sure members will join me in never condoning such businesses that are operated with little, or no, regard for the health and welfare of the puppies or their parents but with the main intent of making a profit. Is the council aware of any such premises operating within the Borough?

b) Question submitted by Councillor E. Wilson to Councillor Cox, Lead Member for Environmental Services

What steps will be taken to ensure that those who litter our streets in Dedworth are caught and fined accordingly?

19. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

a) By Councillor Dr L Evans:

This Council, concerned about the impact of traffic movements from the Former DERA site currently under development, resolves to:

- model the impact on Ascot and the Sunnings
- request that the Department for Transport/Highways Agency considers a spur

on the M3 to alleviate traffic congestion on adjoining roads

- request an appropriate infrastructure contribution from Surrey County Council

b) By Councillor Smith:

This council values the importance of open spaces in making the Borough a great place to live, visit and work, and seeks to protect it, particularly in more urban areas where access to an alternative open space is some distance away and seeks to balance need to protect open spaces and the greenbelt with meeting our identified need for sustainable development.

This council resolves to:

- update the Open Space Audit, which was last published in 2008, and identify actions for the future;
- include a feature on the various RBWM-operated open spaces in Around The Royal Borough to raise awareness;
- continue to market and promote spaces in all parts of the Royal Borough that are open to the public.

COUNCIL MOTIONS – PROCEDURE

- Motion proposed (mover of Motion to speak on Motion)
- Motion seconded (Secunder has right to reserve their speech until **later** in the debate)
- Begin debate

Should An Amendment Be Proposed: (only one amendment may be moved and discussed at any one time)

NB – Any proposed amendment to a Motion to be passed to the Mayor for consideration before it is proposed and seconded.

- Amendment to Motion proposed
- Amendment must be seconded BEFORE any debate can take place on it
(At this point, the mover and seconder of original Motion can indicate their acceptance of the amendment if they are happy with it)
- Amendment debated (if required)
- Vote taken on Amendment
- If Agreed, the amended Motion becomes the substantive Motion and is then debated (any further amendments follow same procedure as above).
- If Amendment not agreed, original Motion is debated (any other amendments follow same procedure as above).

- The mover of the Motion has a right to reply at the end of the debate on the Motion, immediately before it is put to the vote.
- At conclusion of debate on Motion, the Mayor shall call for a vote. Unless the vote is unanimous, a named vote will be undertaken, the results of which will be announced in the meeting, and recorded in the Minutes of the meeting.

(All speeches maximum of 5 minutes, except for the Budget Meeting where the Member proposing the adoption of the budget and the Opposition Spokesperson shall each be allowed to speak for 10 minutes to respectively propose the budget and respond to it. The Member proposing the budget may speak for a further 5 minutes when exercising his/her right of reply.)