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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 **Council Chamber -Town Hall, Maidenhead** on **Tuesday, 26 April 2022 at 7.00 pm** for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out hereunder.

Dated this Thursday, 14 April 2022

Duncan Sharkey Chief Executive

> Rev Quick will say prayers for the meeting

#### AGENDA

#### PART I

#### 1. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

To receive any apologies for absence

#### 2. <u>COUNCIL MINUTES</u>

To receive the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Council held on 8 February 2022 and the Budget meeting of the Council held on 22 February 2022. (Pages 9 - 88)

#### 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

To receive any declarations of interest (Pages 89 - 90)

#### 4. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive such communications as the Mayor may desire to place before the Council (Pages 91 - 92)

#### 5. <u>PUBLIC QUESTIONS</u>

#### a) Ed Wilson of Clewer and Dedworth West ward will ask the following question of Councillor Coppinger, Cabinet Member for Environmental Services, Parks & Countryside & Maidenhead:

Will the Lead Member advise what steps are being taken to make sure RBWM cemeteries are properly maintained?

# b) Ed Wilson of Clewer and Dedworth West ward will ask the following question of Councillor McWilliams, Cabinet Member for Digital Connectivity, Housing Opportunity, & Sport & Leisure:

It's nearly a year since RBWM purchased Cedar Tree Guest House in Windsor for temporary accommodation. What progress has been made in creating this new facility?

#### c) Sarah Walker of Clewer East ward will ask the following question of Councillor Rayner, Cabinet Member for Business, Corporate & Residents Services, Culture & Heritage, & Windsor:

How is the efficiency of the RBWM 'Report it' system measured across the Borough? Please could the performance levels be reported to residents on a regular basis in order to indicate the service levels provided in terms of issues raised, issues resolved and speed of resolution.

#### d) Sarah Walker of Clewer East ward will ask the following question of Councillor Coppinger, Cabinet Member for Environmental Services, Parks & Countryside & Maidenhead:

Are you fully satisfied that previous issues with ongoing contracts such as grass cutting and refuse collection are now resolved and that contracts are being well managed and monitored by RBWM? What process is in place to ensure service levels to residents will not drop again, particularly in light of the proposed Council Tax increase?

#### e) Mohammed Ilyas of Belmont ward will ask the following question of Councillor Carroll, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Health, Mental Health, Children's Services and Transformation:

The NHS has done a fantastic job and continues to do so during this very tough pandemic. St Mark's is a key local NHS site and residents are keen to understand more the NHS plans. Will the Cabinet Member and Leader of the Council with NHS leaders agree to meet with me to discuss this policy imperative further?

## f) Hari Sharma of Furze Platt ward will ask the following question of Councillor Johnson, Leader of the Council:

I believe that Council's budget shows a clear, strong and responsible framework, with prudent and smart management of its finances. However, the suffocating influence of inflation, supply chain disruption, Russia's invasion on Ukraine,

legacy of COVID and Brexit leaving great exposure to economic shocks.

Has Council got sound finances and sufficient reserves to face unexpected challenges in the coming year?

#### g) Hari Sharma of Furze Platt ward will ask the following question of Councillor Carroll, Deputy Chairman of Cabinet & Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Children's Services, Health, Mental Health, & Transformation:

Mental Health problems don't define who you are, but it needs great attention. Latest studies shows that an alarming 1 in 4 people in England will experience depression, fear and anxiety.

What steps and actions have been taken by our council to address those issues?

 h) John Affleck (not a resident of the borough) will ask the following question of Councillor Carroll, Deputy Chairman of Cabinet & Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Children's Services, Health, Mental Health, & Transformation:

The peer review stated the following portfolio is unbalanced:

- Deputy Chairman of Cabinet
- Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care,
- Cabinet Member for Children's Services,
- Cabinet Member Health, Mental Health, & Transformation

Does Councillor Carroll believe this to be a fair assessment?

 i) John Affleck (not a resident of the borough) will ask the following question of Councillor Carroll, Deputy Chairman of Cabinet & Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Children's Services, Health, Mental Health, & Transformation:

RBWM are placing refugee Ukrainian children in private family homes in the borough, what safeguarding policies are in place and what checks will be made prior to placements being agreed for these children? Can you please confirm that SEND provisions will be in place for these children, along with mental health and counselling support if needed?

#### j) Louise Crawfoot of St Mary's ward will ask the following question of Councillor Haseler, Cabinet Member for Planning, Parking, Highways & Transport:

Who gave permission for the 5G mast to be installed directly outside St. Mary's School in Maidenhead? What steps have been taken by the council to ensure parents and grandparents that our children are safe from the 5G masts radiation levels?

 k) Louise Crawfoot of St Mary's ward will ask the following question of Councillor Haseler, Cabinet Member for Planning, Parking, Highways & Transport: Parents and grandparents feel very strongly that we were not informed properly before it was installed. Now it is installed we are requesting RBWM to arrange for OFCOM to take readings in the school time hours to prove it is safe. Why were students not given a letter to take home to alert them of this tower's installation?

(The Council will set aside a period of 30 minutes to deal with public questions, which may be extended at the discretion of the Mayor in exceptional circumstances. The Member who provides the initial response will do so in writing. The written response will be published as a supplement to the agenda by 5pm one working day before the meeting. The questioner shall be allowed up to one minute to put a supplementary question at the meeting. The supplementary question must arise directly out of the reply provided and shall not have the effect of introducing any new subject matter. A Member responding to a supplementary question will have two minutes to respond).

#### 6. <u>PETITIONS</u>

To receive any petitions presented by Members on behalf of residents.

(Notice of the petition must be given to the Head of Governance not later than noon on the last working day prior to the meeting. A Member submitting a Petition may speak for no more than 2 minutes to summarise the contents of the Petition).

#### 7. <u>REFERRALS FROM OTHER BODIES</u>

To consider referrals from other bodies (e.g. Cabinet)

#### i) SCHOOLS CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS 2022-23

To consider the recommendation from Cabinet (Pages 93 - 106)

#### 8. <u>DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REVIEW</u>

To consider the above report (Pages 107 - 130)

#### 9. <u>APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN</u>

To consider the following appointment:

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Councillor Hunt be appointed as Chairman of the Maidenhead Development Management Committee for the remainder of the municipal year.

#### 10. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

#### a) Councillor Davey will ask the following question of Councillor Haseler, Cabinet Member for Planning, Parking, Highways & Transport:

When you get an email from a grandmother concerned about the health of her grandchild, you have to ask the question: What can RBWM do to ensure 5G Masts are not positioned outside schools?

#### b) Councillor Singh will ask the following question of Councillor Coppinger, Cabinet Member for Environmental Services, Parks & Countryside & Maidenhead:

The former cafe at Kidwell's Park which has been discussed for nearly 4 years. Are there plans to bring this back into use as a useful public amenity? Please can you explain in detail what the plan is?

#### c) Councillor Singh will ask the following question of Councillor Haseler, Cabinet Member for Planning, Parking, Highways & Transport:

Signs have gone up recently to remove the free parking at four Marlow Road used by the community centre and local charity organisation. This will impact users of the community facilities. Please can you explain the rationale for this change and why were ward Councillors not informed?

#### d) Councillor Larcombe will ask the following question of Councillor Haseler, Cabinet Member for Planning, Parking, Highways & Transport:

In the recently adopted Borough Local Plan flood policy NR1 supersedes previous BLP flood policy F1 - which limited residential extension covered floor area in flood zones to an additional 30 sq m maximum. How does new policy NR1 similarly limit flood plain development?

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#### 11. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

a) By Councillor Cannon:

This Council:

 Requests that Cabinet write to the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) and Thames Valley Police (TVP) seeking support in creating a joint RBWM campaign highlighting the issue of Drink/Drug Driving, supporting our zero tolerance environment, to enhance road safety for our residents.

ii) Requests Cabinet to invite TVP and the PCC to work with us in holding a Roads Safety Summit on these and other RBWM Road Safety issues.

(A maximum period of 30 minutes will be allowed for each Motion to be moved, seconded and debated, including dealing with any amendments. At the expiry of the 30-minute period debate will cease immediately, the mover of the Motion or amendment will have the right of reply before the Motion or amendment is put to the vote).

### **COUNCIL MOTIONS – PROCEDURE**

- Motion proposed (mover of Motion to speak on Motion)
- Motion seconded (Seconder has right to reserve their speech until <u>later</u> 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). Members who have spoken on the original motion are able to speak again in relation to the amendment only
- 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 the conclusion of the debate on the Motion, the Mayor shall call for a vote. Unless a named vote is requested, the Mayor will take the vote by a show of hands or if there is no dissent, by the affirmation of the meeting.
- If requested by any **5** Members the mode of voting shall be via a named vote. The clerk will record the names and votes of those Members present and voting or abstaining and include them in the Minutes of the meeting.
- Where any Member requests it immediately after the vote is taken, their vote will be so recorded in the minutes to show whether they voted for or against the motion or abstained from voting

(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.)

#### **Closure Motions**

- a) A Member who has not previously spoken in the debate may move, without comment, any of the following Motions at the end of a speech of another Member:
  - i) to proceed to the next business;
  - ii) that the question be now put to the vote;
  - iii) to adjourn a debate; or
  - iv) to adjourn a meeting.

b) If a Motion to proceed to next business is seconded, the Mayor will give the mover of the original Motion a right of reply and then put the procedural Motion to the vote.

c) If a Motion that the question be now put to vote is seconded, the Mayor will put the procedural motion to the vote. It if is passed he/she will give the mover of the original motion a right of reply before putting his/her motion to the vote.

d) If a Motion to adjourn the debate or to adjourn the meeting is seconded, the Mayor will put the procedural Motion to the vote without giving the mover of the original Motion the right of reply

#### Point of order

A Member may raise a point of order at any time. The Mayor will hear them immediately. A point of order may only relate to an alleged breach of the Council Rules of Procedure or the law. The Member must indicate the procedure rule or law and the way in which he/she considers it has been broken. The ruling of the Mayor on the matter will be final.

#### Personal explanation

A Member may make a personal explanation at any time with the permission of the Mayor. A personal explanation may only relate to some material part of an earlier speech by the Member which may appear to have been misunderstood in the present debate. The ruling of the Mayor on the requirement of a personal explanation will be final.