
POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

NOTICE AND AGENDA

For a meeting to be held on Monday, 17 July 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Penn Chamber, Three Rivers, Northway, Rickmansworth.

Members of the Policy and Resources Committee:-

Councillors:

Sarah Nelmes (Chair)

Stephen Giles-Medhurst (Vice-Chair) (Planning Policy and Economic Development)

Jon Tankard (Sustainability and Climate Change)

Steve Drury (Community Partnerships)

Paul Rainbow (Public Services)

Keith Martin (Resources)

Chris Lloyd (Leisure)

Philip Hearn

Andrew Scarth (Housing, Public Health and Wellbeing)

Abbas Merali

Stephen Cox

Oliver Cooper

Chris Mitchell

Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive
7 July 2023

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public on agenda items at the Policy and Resources Committee meetings. Details of the procedure are provided below:

For those wishing to speak:

Members of the public are entitled to register and identify which item(s) they wish to speak on from the published agenda for the meeting. Those who wish to register to speak are asked to register on the night of the meeting from 7pm. Please note that contributions will be limited to one person speaking for and one against each item for not more than three minutes.

In the event of registering your interest to speak on an agenda item but not taking up that right because the item is deferred, you will be given the right to speak on that item at the next meeting of the Committee.

Those wishing to observe the meeting are requested to arrive from 7pm.

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

(Pages 5
- 14)

To receive the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on 12 June 2023.

3. NOTICE OF OTHER BUSINESS

Items of other business notified under Council Procedure Rule 30 to be announced, together with the special circumstances that justify their consideration as a matter of urgency. The Chair to rule on the admission of such items.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest.

5. COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT FUND 2023

(Pages
15 - 18)

The government notified us on 23 December 2022 that they are providing £100million of additional funding for local authorities to support the most vulnerable households in England. The funding will allow councils to deliver additional support to households already receiving council tax support (also known as council tax reduction) against their 2023/24 Council Tax bill.

The government recognises increases in council tax could be higher from April 2023 than in recent years following the government announcement in the 2022 Autumn Statement, to increase the referendum principles for core council tax to 3% and up to 2% for Adult Social Care.

Three Rivers have been allocated £98,620 under the Council Tax Support Fund 2023.

Although the government are setting out minimum requirements for how this fund will need to be used, any remaining allocation is for local authorities to determine.

6. CIL SPENDING APPLICATION - KING GEORGE V PLAY AREA, SARRATT

(Pages
19 - 42)

The report seeks to allocate a total of £170,000 of CIL funding to local infrastructure projects to support growth in Three Rivers.

7. MAY 2023 ELECTIONS REPORT

(Pages
43 - 46)

To provide the Committee with feedback following the introduction of Voter Identification and the use of Modern Polling at the May 2023 elections.

8. MEMBER TRAINING

(Pages
47 - 52)

The purpose of the report is to provide an annual update on Member Training.

To continue with the 4 mandatory online training modules (Equality and

Diversity, Safeguarding Children, Safeguarding Adults and Prevent) and they be completed on a three yearly basis.

To add two additional online training modules Climate Change and General Data Protection Regulation.

Officers strongly encourage Members to continue with the online mandatory training modules as a way for Members to keep up to date with best practise on these key areas in their role as a Councillor.

9. WORK PROGRAMME

(Pages
53 - 60)

To receive and make any comments on the work programme.

10. OTHER BUSINESS - if approved under item 3 above

11. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

If the Committee wishes to consider the remaining item in private, it will be appropriate for a resolution to be passed in the following terms:-

“that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under paragraph 1 to 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act. It has been decided by the Council that in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.”

(Note: If other confidential business is approved under item 3, it will also be necessary to specify the class of exempt or confidential information in the additional items.)

12. OTHER BUSINESS - if approved under item 3 above

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