

# **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

## **NOTICE AND AGENDA**

For a meeting to be held on Monday, 27 January 2025 at 7.30 pm at Penn Chamber, Three Rivers House, Rickmansworth.

Members of the Policy and Resources Committee:-

Councillors:

Stephen Giles-Medhurst (Chair)  
Steve Drury  
Chris Lloyd  
Louise Price  
Andrew Scarth  
Jonathon Solomons  
Tom Smith  
Jon Tankard  
Oliver Cooper  
Vicky Edwards

Sarah Nelmes (Vice-Chair)  
Andrea Fraser  
Philip Hearn  
Abbas Merali  
Reena Ranger  
Chris Mitchell  
Narinder Sian  
Stephen Cox  
Stephen King

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*Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive  
Friday, 17 January 2025*

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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The meeting may be livestreamed and an audio recording of the meeting will be made.

**1. Apologies for absence**

To note any apologies for absence

**2. Declarations of interest**

To receive any declarations of interest.

**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. Minutes**

(Pages 5 - 14)

For the Committee to agree the minutes of the meetings held on 11 November and 2 December 2024

**5. Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy - Public Consultation Feedback**

(Pages 15 - 82)

Officers have been exploring opportunities to install Electric Vehicle Charge Points (EVCP) in council owned car parks using external government grants and/or Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding and a decision was made at the General Public Services and Economic Development

Committee in March 2024 to progress a scheme. The Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy sits alongside and develops these proposals further for the provision of a publicly available electric vehicle charging network and details the Council's future rollout of EV charging infrastructure.

This report provides an update on the development of the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy including the key findings from the public consultation on the draft Strategy and proposes a final Strategy for adoption.

Recommendation

That:

- i) Members agree the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy for adoption; and
- ii) Members agree that the Strategy is progressed to Full Council for final adoption.

## **6. Financial Planning - Recommendations**

(Pages 83 - 90)

This report enables the Committee to make its recommendations on the Council's Revenue and Capital budgets and Treasury Management Policy for the period 2025/26 to 2027/28 (medium term) to Council on 25 February 2025

Recommendation:

That the Policy and Resources Committee notes that the Administration will publish its final recommendations on Financial Planning 2025/26 to 2027/28 five working days prior to the Council meeting on 25 February 2025 and present them at this meeting.

## **7. Financial Planning - Revenue Services**

(Pages 91 - 124)

The purpose of this report is to enable the Policy and Resources Committee to consider the updated revenue budget for 2024/25, proposed revenue budget for 2025/26 and indicative revenue budget for 2026/27 and 2027/28, allowing their referral to Council. These budgets form the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP).

It is recommended to note the report

## **8. Financial Planning - Capital Strategy and the Treasury Management Policy**

(Pages 125 - 156)

The purpose of this report is to enable the Policy and Resources Committee to consider the capital strategy and treasury management policy over the medium term (2025/26 to 2028/29), enabling its referral to Council.

It is recommended to note the report

**9. Amendment to the Constitution**

(Pages 157 - 162)

This report proposes several amendments to the Council's constitution including group leader consents, the nature of motions and amendments and in respect of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004

The report seeks the Policy and Resources Committee to recommend to Council the proposed constitutional amendments set out in Appendix 1 of the report

**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 X 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.)

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