

GENERAL PUBLIC SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

NOTICE AND AGENDA

For a meeting to be held on Tuesday, 10 October 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Penn Chamber, Three Rivers, Northway, Rickmansworth.

Members of the General Public Services and Economic Development Committee:-

Councillors:

Oliver Cooper
Andrea Fraser
Stephen Giles-Medhurst (Co-Chair)
Joan King
Kevin Raeburn
Chris Mitchell

Paul Rainbow (Co-Chair)
David Raw
Andrew Scarth (Co-Chair)
Jonathan Solomons
Chris Whately-Smith

Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive
10 October 2023

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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.

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

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- 8)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest.

4. 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.

5. TO RECEIVE A PETITION UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 18

The Committee are asked to receive a petition which requests the extension of double yellow lines at the entry to Silk Mill Road (on the junction with Eastbury Road), all the way to the junction with Brookside Road.

Residents are requesting these parking restrictions due to the lack of visibility when entering Silk Mill Road. This section attracts the parking of vans, trucks (parked in a private capacity), as well as cars. The majority of the vehicles parked here belong to the residents of the neighbourhood tower block (formerly The Happy Hour Pub), which falls within the Watford Council boundary.

Residents fear the unauthorised parking of cars and vans is an accident waiting to happen, as drivers can't see what is coming on the other side, and at what speed. Residents would also like to request a consultation for permit parking for the rest of Silk Mill Road. In addition to the parking issues above, there is an increase in the number of cars being parked by people using the nearby Bushey Station, and dumping of cars by football fans watching the football at Vicarage Road Stadium on match days, who are at times parking dangerously on road turnings, causing visibility issues, resulting in near misses, and in some cases, accidents).

Residents therefore, primarily on safety grounds, request consideration of their petition and swift action from the Council and relevant authorities in this matter.

6. BUDGET MONITORING (PERIOD 4)

(Pages 9
- 22)

This report covers this committee's financial position over the medium term(2023-2026) as at Period 4 (end of July).

Recommendation

That Members note and comment on the contents of the report.

7. SERVICE PLANNING 2024-27

(Pages
23 - 78)

This report enables the Committee to comment on its draft service plans as part of Strategic, Service and Financial Planning for 2024-2027.

Recommendation

That the Committee comment on the draft service plans attached at Appendix 1 and for recommendation to Council.

That public access to the report be immediate.
That public access to the decision be immediate.

8. WORK PROGRAMME

(Pages
79 - 84)

To receive the committee's work programme.

9. OTHER BUSINESS - IF APPROVED UNDER ITEM 3 ABOVE

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