



WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the **CORPORATE SERVICES OVERVIEW
AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** will be held at the Civic
Offices, Shute End, Wokingham, RG40 1BN on
TUESDAY 10 MARCH 2015 AT 7.00 PM

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Couldrick', written in a cursive style.

Andy Couldrick
Chief Executive
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Our Vision

A great place to live, an even better place to do business

Our Priorities

Improve educational attainment and focus on every child achieving their potential

Invest in regenerating towns and villages, support social and economic prosperity, whilst encouraging business growth

Ensure strong sustainable communities that are vibrant and supported by well designed development

Tackle traffic congestion in specific areas of the Borough

Improve the customer experience when accessing Council services

The Underpinning Principles

Offer excellent value for your Council Tax

Provide affordable homes

Look after the vulnerable

Improve health, wellbeing and quality of life

Maintain and improve the waste collection, recycling and fuel efficiency

Deliver quality in all that we do

MEMBERSHIP OF THE CORPORATE SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Councillors

Norman Jorgensen
(Chairman)

Chris Bowring

Rachelle Shepherd-DuBey

Michael Firmager (Vice-
Chairman)

Kate Haines

Shahid Younis

Parry Batth

Ken Miall

Substitutes

Prue Bray

Bill Soane

Dee Tomlin

David Sleight

ITEM NO.	WARD	SUBJECT	PAGE NO.
39.		APOLOGIES To receive any apologies for absence.	
40.		MINUTES To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 27 January 2015.	7 - 14
41.		DECLARATION OF INTEREST To receive any declarations of interest.	
42.		PUBLIC QUESTION TIME To answer any public questions A period of 30 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions submitted under notice. The Council welcomes questions from members of the public about the work of this committee. Subject to meeting certain timescales, questions can relate to general issues concerned with the work of the Committee or an item which is on the Agenda for this meeting. For full details of the procedure for submitting questions please contact the Democratic Services Section on the numbers given below or go to www.wokingham.gov.uk/publicquestions .	
42.1	None Specific	Mr Meadowcroft asked the Chairman the following question: Question: The January O & S Corporate Committee meeting was deliberately re-scheduled for January 27 - being just two days prior to the January 29 executive meeting – for the prime	

purpose of enabling the Committee to review the LPEP document and to pass the Committee's comments to the Executive prior to the Executive's vote on January 29 to approve LPEP being put out to public consultation.

I attended the January 29 Executive meeting and so did the Chairman of the O & S Corporate Committee, Councillor Norman Jorgensen.

At the January 27 meeting of the Committee, Councillor Ch Bowring specifically raised his concerns regarding the lack of any definitions of "planning harm" and "not expedient". His comments were heard by Councillor John Kaiser, the Executive Member for Planning who was in attendance.

At the January 29 meeting of the Executive, in proposing the public consultation for LPEP, Councillor Kaiser did not raise the critical points made by Councillor Bowring. The proposal that LPEP was put out to consultation was approved without any material comment from any member of the Executive.

My question is therefore one of governance – not the LPEP itself which I understand is not an item on the Agenda for the March 10 O & S Corporate Committee meeting:

Will the Committee vigorously protest to the Executive the failure to raise and articulate at the January 29 meeting of the Executive the undefined "no planning harm" and "not expedient" concerns voiced by Councillor Bowring on January 27 - these being factors which apply at the very heart of rigorous planning enforcement if it is to be effective?

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| 43. | | MEMBER QUESTION TIME
To answer any member questions. | |
| 44. | None Specific | DECENT HOMES WORKS
To receive a report on progress towards meeting the Decent Homes standard and targets. | 15 - 18 |
| 45. | None Specific | REVIEW OF COMMUTER PARKING
To consider Terms of Reference for the review. | 19 - 22 |
| 46. | | WORK PROGRAMME
To consider the Committee's work programme for 2015/16. | 23 - 26 |
| 47. | | ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT
A Supplementary Agenda will be issued by the Chief Executive if there are any other items to consider under this heading. | |

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