



# WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the **EXECUTIVE** will be held in the Council Chamber - Civic Offices, Shute End, Wokingham RG40 1BN on **THURSDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.00 PM**

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

Susan Parsonage  
Chief Executive  
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## Our Vision

***A great place to live, learn, work and grow and a great place to do business***

### Enriching Lives

- Champion outstanding education and enable our children and young people to achieve their full potential, regardless of their background.
- Support our residents to lead happy, healthy lives and provide access to good leisure facilities to complement an active lifestyle.
- Engage and involve our communities through arts and culture and create a sense of identity which people feel part of.
- Support growth in our local economy and help to build business.

### Safe, Strong, Communities

- Protect and safeguard our children, young and vulnerable people.
- Offer quality care and support, at the right time, to prevent the need for long term care.
- Nurture communities and help them to thrive.
- Ensure our borough and communities remain safe for all.

### A Clean and Green Borough

- Do all we can to become carbon neutral and sustainable for the future.
- Protect our borough, keep it clean and enhance our green areas.
- Reduce our waste, improve biodiversity and increase recycling.
- Connect our parks and open spaces with green cycleways.

### Right Homes, Right Places

- Offer quality, affordable, sustainable homes fit for the future.
- Build our fair share of housing with the right infrastructure to support and enable our borough to grow.
- Protect our unique places and preserve our natural environment.
- Help with your housing needs and support people to live independently in their own homes.

### Keeping the Borough Moving

- Maintain and improve our roads, footpaths and cycleways.
- Tackle traffic congestion, minimise delays and disruptions.
- Enable safe and sustainable travel around the borough with good transport infrastructure.
- Promote healthy alternative travel options and support our partners to offer affordable, accessible public transport with good network links.

### Changing the Way We Work for You

- Be relentlessly customer focussed.
- Work with our partners to provide efficient, effective, joined up services which are focussed around you.
- Communicate better with you, owning issues, updating on progress and responding appropriately as well as promoting what is happening in our Borough.
- Drive innovative digital ways of working that will connect our communities, businesses and customers to our services in a way that suits their needs.

## MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXECUTIVE

John Halsall	Leader of the Council
John Kaiser	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Finance and Housing
Parry Bath	Environment and Leisure
Graham Howe	Children's Services
Pauline Jorgensen	Highways and Transport
Charles Margetts	Health, Wellbeing and Adult Services
Stuart Munro	Business and Economic Development
Gregor Murray	Resident Services, Communications and Emissions
Wayne Smith	Planning and Enforcement
Bill Soane	Neighbourhoods and Communities

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63.		<b>APOLOGIES</b> To receive any apologies for absence	
64.		<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS</b> To confirm the Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on 28 October 2021 and the Extraordinary Executive Meeting held on 12 November 2021	7 - 40
65.		<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b> To receive any declarations of interest	
66.		<b>PUBLIC QUESTION TIME</b> 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 the Executive  Subject to meeting certain timescales, questions can relate to general issues concerned with the work of the Council 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 <a href="http://www.wokingham.gov.uk/publicquestions">www.wokingham.gov.uk/publicquestions</a>	
67.		<b>MEMBER QUESTION TIME</b> To answer any member questions  A period of 20 minutes will be allowed for Members to ask questions submitted under Notice	

Any questions not dealt with within the allotted time will be dealt with in a written reply

67.1 None Specific

Gary Cowan has asked the Executive Member for Planning and Enforcement the following question:

**Question**

As part of Wokingham's planning process, statutory conditions are placed on approved development to plant trees and the usual intention of the condition is that should any trees that did not survive within, I believe 5 years must be replaced. Wokingham BC Planning Department will have a full record of the numbers of trees approved by planning conditions.

Professional experts indicate that 25% of new trees planted die and those that survive need attention. As monitoring conditions is a statutory function, I assume the Planning Department have a record of how many of the new planted trees by condition did not survive.

My question is; can the Council provide a complete written record of how many new trees approved by planning conditions over the past 5 years that have not survived and have they all been replaced?

67.2 Shinfield North;  
Shinfield South

Jim Frewin has asked the Executive Member for Planning and Enforcement the following question:

**Question**

Over the past few years Shinfield has been subjected to significant development and a large number of associated planning conditions. Can you please provide a full list of these conditions for the past 4 years that shows signed off compliance status?

67.3 Emmbrook

Rachel Bishop-Firth has asked the Executive Member for Neighbourhood and Communities the following question:

**Question**

Residents are delighted to see that the building of the Carnival Hub is on track for opening in late summer 2022. Our understanding is that the Carnival Hub facilities will be open on Saturdays, Sundays and evenings, to fit in with the times that residents with weekday work or education commitments will be looking to use them. Can the Council confirm please that the new Library will be open on Sundays and also on weekday evenings in line with the opening times for other facilities?

67.4 Emmbrook Morag Malvern has asked the Executive Member for Children's Services the following question:

**Question**

There is a purpose-built youth centre in Wokingham, on Reading Road, which does not seem to offer any regular youth club sessions. Why not?

**Matters for Consideration**

68.	None Specific	<b>INSTALLATION OF ON-STREET RESIDENTIAL AND COUNCIL-OWNED CAR PARK CHARGEPOINTS</b>	<b>41 - 52</b>
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70.	None Specific	<b>THERAPY SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE</b>	<b>69 - 82</b>
71.	Arborfield; Barkham; Finchampstead South; Swallowfield	<b>FARLEY HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL ORGANISATION CHANGES</b>	<b>83 - 92</b>

A decision sheet will be available for inspection at the Council's offices (in Democratic Services and the General Office) and on the web site no later than two working days after the meeting.

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