



# WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the **EXECUTIVE** will be held in David Hicks 1 - Civic Offices, Shute End, Wokingham RG40 1BN on **THURSDAY 14 MARCH 2024 AT 7.00 PM**

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Chief Executive  
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**Note:** Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting or participate in the meeting virtually, in accordance with the Council's Constitution. If you wish to participate either in person or virtually via Microsoft Teams please contact Democratic Services: [Democratic.services@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:Democratic.services@wokingham.gov.uk)

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<https://youtube.com/live/h90nTtDqzH4?feature=share>

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<b>Our Vision</b>
<b><i>A great place to live, learn, work and grow and a great place to do business</i></b>
<b>Enriching Lives</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Champion excellent education and enable our children and young people to achieve their full potential, regardless of their background.</li> <li>• Support our residents to lead happy, healthy lives and provide access to good leisure facilities to enable healthy choices for everyone.</li> <li>• Engage and empower our communities through arts and culture and create a sense of identity for the Borough which people feel part of.</li> <li>• Support growth in our local economy and help to build business.</li> </ul>
<b>Providing Safe and Strong Communities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protect and safeguard our children, young and vulnerable people.</li> <li>• Offer quality care and support, at the right time, to reduce the need for long term care.</li> <li>• Nurture our communities: enabling them to thrive and families to flourish.</li> <li>• Ensure our Borough and communities remain safe for all.</li> </ul>
<b>Enjoying a Clean and Green Borough</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play as full a role as possible to achieve a carbon neutral Borough, sustainable for the future.</li> <li>• Protect our Borough, keep it clean and enhance our green areas for people to enjoy.</li> <li>• Reduce our waste, promote re-use, increase recycling and improve biodiversity.</li> <li>• Connect our parks and open spaces with green cycleways.</li> </ul>
<b>Delivering the Right Homes in the Right Places</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offer quality, affordable, sustainable homes fit for the future.</li> <li>• Ensure the right infrastructure is in place, early, to support and enable our Borough to grow.</li> <li>• Protect our unique places and preserve our natural environment.</li> <li>• Help with your housing needs and support people, where it is needed most, to live independently in their own homes.</li> </ul>
<b>Keeping the Borough Moving</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain and improve our roads, footpaths and cycleways.</li> <li>• Tackle traffic congestion and minimise delays and disruptions.</li> <li>• Enable safe and sustainable travel around the Borough with good transport infrastructure.</li> <li>• Promote healthy alternative travel options and support our partners in offering affordable, accessible public transport with good transport links.</li> </ul>
<b>Changing the Way We Work for You</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be relentlessly customer focussed.</li> <li>• Work with our partners to provide efficient, effective, joined up services which are focussed around our customers.</li> <li>• Communicate better with customers, owning issues, updating on progress and responding appropriately as well as promoting what is happening in our Borough.</li> <li>• Drive innovative, digital ways of working that will connect our communities, businesses and customers to our services in a way that suits their needs.</li> </ul>
<b>Be the Best We Can Be</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be an organisation that values and invests in all our colleagues and is seen as an employer of choice.</li> <li>• Embed a culture that supports ambition, promotes empowerment and develops new ways of working.</li> <li>• Use our governance and scrutiny structures to support a learning and continuous improvement approach to the way we do business.</li> <li>• Be a commercial council that is innovative, whilst being inclusive, in its approach with a clear focus on being financially resilient.</li> <li>• Maximise opportunities to secure funding and investment for the Borough.</li> <li>• Establish a renewed vision for the Borough with clear aspirations.</li> </ul>

## MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXECUTIVE

Stephen Conway	Leader of the Council and Executive Member for Housing
Prue Bray	Deputy Leader and Children's Services
Rachel Bishop-Firth	Equalities, Inclusion and Fighting Poverty
David Cornish	Business and Economic Development
Lindsay Ferris	Planning and Local Plan
Paul Fishwick	Active Travel, Transport and Highways
David Hare	Health and Wellbeing and Adult Services
Ian Shenton	Environment, Sport and Leisure
Imogen Shepherd-DuBey	Finance

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103.		<b>APOLOGIES</b> To receive any apologies for absence.	
104.		<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b> To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 February 2024.	7 - 14
105.		<b>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</b> To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registrable interests and any non-registrable interests relevant to any matters to be considered at the meeting.	
106.		<b>STATEMENT FROM THE LEADER</b>	
107.		<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>	
107.1		Peter Must has asked the Executive Member for Active Travel, Transport and Highways the following question:	

**Question:**

At the meeting of Council on 19 January 2023 I asked the Executive Member for Active Travel, Transport and Highways what was happening with the draft Borough-wide Parking Management Action Plan.

He told me that a pilot consultation on parking management had been conducted 1 December 2022 and that similar pilots and consultations were being rolled out elsewhere in the Borough.

He concluded by saying that this approach was a better way of understanding parking needs in different parts of the Borough before moving on to a Borough wide approach and that these would be developed in the course of the year.

Could the Executive Member say how these pilots have progressed and how near the Council is to integrating the findings into a Borough-wide Parking Management Action Plan.

**108.****MEMBER QUESTION TIME**

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

**Matters for Consideration**

<b>109.</b>	None Specific	<b>AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGY 2024 - 2028</b>	<b>15 - 28</b>
<b>110.</b>	None Specific	<b>YOUNG PEOPLE'S HOUSING STRATEGY 2024-2028: TO PROVIDE SAFE, SECURE, AND AFFORDABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR OUR CARE LEAVERS, 16/17-YEAR-OLDS AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS AND UNACCOMPANIED ASYLUM-SEEKING CHILDREN</b>	<b>29 - 68</b>
<b>111.</b>	None Specific	<b>BUILDING CONTROL PARTNERSHIP</b>	<b>69 - 196</b>
<b>112.</b>	None Specific	<b>STRATEGIC ASSET REVIEW</b>	<b>197 - 226</b>
<b>113.</b>	None Specific	<b>STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (ADOPTION)</b>	<b>227 - 344</b>
<b>114.</b>	None Specific	<b>RESPONSIBLE BODY STATUS (BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN)</b>	<b>345 - 352</b>

<b>115.</b>	Barkham	<b>BARKHAM SOLAR FARM UPDATE</b>	<b>353 - 368</b>
<b>116.</b>	None Specific	<b>SHAREHOLDERS COMMITTEE</b>	<b>369 - 382</b>

### **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The Executive may exclude the press and public in order to discuss the Part 2 sheets of Agenda Item 115 above and to do so it must pass a resolution in the following terms:

That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended).

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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