## EXECUTIVE

## TUESDAY, 22ND JUNE, 2021

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## Procedure for the discharge of business at this meeting

The Deputy Leader of the Council welcomes the attendance of members of the public and non-Executive councillors at this meeting.

The procedure for dealing with each item of business shall be as follows:

- 1. Lead Councillor to introduce report on the matter
- 2. Non-Executive councillors invited to ask a question or comment, for which they will have a maximum of **five** minutes each
- 3. Lead councillor to respond to comments and questions from non-Executive councillors
- 4. Executive debates the matter
- 5. Lead councillor to respond to comments and questions from Executive councillors
- 6. Deputy Leader to make decision on the matter

#### AGENDA ITEM 5: SHALFORD COMMON LAND MANAGEMENT (Pages 5 - 106)

Lead Councillor: Cllr James Steel, Lead Councillor for Environment

Lead Officer: Hendryk Jurk, Countryside Manager

Two public speakers have registered to speak to Item 5:

Mr David Semple, Chairman of Shalford Parish Council Mr Bill Birkett, on behalf of local businesses

#### AGENDA ITEM 6: SAVINGS STRATEGY 2022-23 TO 2025-26 (Pages 107 - 126)

- Lead Councillor: Cllr Tim Anderson, Lead Councillor for Resources
- Lead Officer: Claire Morris, Director of Resources

This matter was considered by the Strategy and Resources Executive Advisory Board (EAB) on 14 June 2021. The EAB received a briefing note presented by the Director of Resources in which she provided the background to the Savings Strategy as at May 2021, identified the associated workstreams and provided a progress update in respect of them.

Although there were no specific recommendations from the EAB, the Director of Resources confirmed in response to questions from councillors, the following:

- (1) that the Council had no control over the £2 million pensions backfunding contribution, which was set by the Actuaries as per the triennial valuation; and
- (2) that we would be reviewing ICT licences by carrying out a zero based budgeting exercise across the Council; however, it was noted that the current trend for greater use of cloud based technology, or "Software as a Service", meant that users paid an annual licence, or service fee for their ICT rather than buying software packages as a capital cost. The Director confirmed that, with Future Guildford, it was anticipated that we would have to increase annual licence fees as we developed more cloud-based software as service solutions. One of the benefits of cloud-based software was that it reduced the need for onsite servers.

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