



EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2021

ORDER PAPER

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I would like to welcome everyone to this evening's extraordinary meeting of the Council.

I should be grateful if you would ensure that your mobile phones and other hand-held devices are switched to silent during the meeting. If the fire alarm sounds during the course of the meeting - we are not expecting it to go off - please leave the Council Chamber immediately and proceed calmly to the assembly point in Millmead on the paved area adjacent to the river as you exit the site.

This Order Paper sets out details of those members of the public who have given advance notice of their wish to ask a question or address the Council in respect of any business on tonight's agenda. It also sets out details of any questions submitted by councillors together with any motions and amendments to be proposed by councillors in respect of the business on the agenda.

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Councillor Marsha Moseley
The Mayor of Guildford

Time limits on speeches at full Council meetings:	
Public speaker:	3 minutes
Response to public speaker:	3 minutes
Questions from councillors:	3 minutes
Response to questions from councillors:	3 minutes
Proposer of a motion:	10 minutes
Seconder of a motion:	5 minutes
Other councillors speaking during the debate on a motion:	5 minutes
Proposer of a motion's right of reply at the end of the debate on the motion:	10 minutes
Proposer of an amendment:	5 minutes
Seconder of an amendment:	5 minutes
Other councillors speaking during the debate on an amendment:	5 minutes
Proposer of a motion's right of reply at the end of the debate on an amendment:	5 minutes
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1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

To receive and note any disclosable pecuniary interests from councillors. In accordance with the local Code of Conduct, a councillor is required to disclose at the meeting any disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) that they may have in respect of any matter for consideration on this agenda. Any councillor with a DPI must not participate in any discussion or vote regarding that matter and they must also withdraw from the meeting immediately before consideration of the matter.

If that DPI has not been registered, the councillor must notify the Monitoring Officer of the details of the DPI within 28 days of the date of the meeting.

Councillors are further invited to disclose any non-pecuniary interest which may be relevant to any matter on this agenda, in the interests of transparency, and to confirm that it will not affect their objectivity in relation to that matter.

3. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

To receive any communications or announcements from the Mayor.

4. LEADER'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Leader to comment on the following matters:

- COVID update
- Christmas refuse collection timetable
- Car Free Day
- Crowdfund Guildford

Councillors shall have the opportunity of asking questions of the Leader in respect of his communications.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No questions or requests to speak have been received from the public.

6. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

- (a) **Councillor Paul Spooner** to ask the Lead Councillor for Climate Change, Councillor Jan Harwood, the following question:

"The published agendas for the Executive on 26 October 2021 and Full Council on 1 November 2021 included Regulation 19 Consultation on Local Plan: Development Management Policies and the Local Development Scheme 2021.

Shortly prior to the Executive the items were removed from the agenda on the basis that more time was needed to consider comments. Can the Lead Councillor explain why, after two and a half years since the change of administration in May 2019, this important part of the Local Plan has been 'pulled' at the last minute and advise the Council on the repercussions of this delay for the community across the Borough in not having up to date Development Management Policies and can the Lead Councillor

provide a new timeline for progressing the Local Plan to Regulation 19 and through to adoption with an updated Local Development Scheme 2021”.

The Lead Councillor’s response is as follows:

“The Development Management Policies item expected at Executive last week has been delayed in order to consider a number of minor amendments as requested by the Joint EAB. We expect this item to be brought back to the Executive at its next meeting on 23 November, with a view to submission to full council at its meeting on 7 December. This short delay is unlikely to affect the consultation timetable.

Given the strength of feeling amongst all councillors on the topic of development management and planning, we are hoping to achieve wide apolitical support for these important policies. We believe a small procedural delay is worth it to make sure these last-minute amendments do not have unintended consequences”

Councillor Jan Harwood
Lead Councillor for Climate Change

7. REGULATION 19 CONSULTATION ON LOCAL PLAN: DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES (Pages 5 - 952 of the Council agenda)

Update:

Prior to the Executive meeting on 26 October 2021, councillors were informed that this matter was withdrawn from the agenda due to the need for additional time to enable Executive Members to give full consideration to the feedback given by Members of the Joint Executive Advisory Board at their meeting on 20 September 2021, and that this matter, together with the Local Development Scheme, would be considered at the next earliest opportunity.

As the Local Plan is part of the policy framework of the Council, and it is a requirement that proposals contained within policy framework documents that are presented to the Council are approved by the Executive, item 7 has therefore been withdrawn from the agenda for tonight’s extraordinary meeting of the Council.

8. CORPORATE PLAN 2021 - 2025 (Pages 953 - 1058 of the Council agenda)

Update:

At its meeting on 26 October 2021, the Executive considered this matter and a modification to the Corporate Plan was suggested to include reference to the importance of biodiversity. The Leader indicated that he would confer with the Lead Councillor for Climate Change to see if this could be included.

Subject to such modification, the Executive endorsed the recommendation to the Council.

The motion:

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Joss Bigmore to propose, and the Deputy Leader of the Council, Councillor Jan Harwood to second, the adoption of the following motion:

“That the proposed new Corporate Plan 2021-2025, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report submitted to the Council, be adopted.

Reason:

The proposed new Corporate Plan has been prepared to set out the Council’s priorities for the period up to 2025”.

Alteration of Motion:

Under Council Procedure Rule 15 (o), Councillor Joss Bigmore, as the mover of the original motion, has indicated that, with the consent of his seconder and of the meeting, he wishes to alter his motion in accordance with the proposed alteration below. The Mayor will put the proposed alteration to a vote without debate. If approved, Councillor Bigmore's motion, as altered, will become the substantive motion for debate to which amendments may subsequently be moved.

Alteration:

Add the following to the end of the motion:

"subject to the following minor modifications:

- (1) *Amend the first paragraph of the second page of the Foreword (page 963 of the agenda) as follows:*

*"Sustainable transport systems, cycle ways and footpaths and improved public transport routes are vital. New housing developments will be required to have lower carbon emissions. High energy efficiency standards, electric vehicle charging points and renewable energy sources will all be features. **By using land more sustainably, we can also protect and create new habitats to enhance biodiversity**".*

- (2) *In the second sentence of the third paragraph of the second page of the Foreword (page 963 of the agenda), substitute "I am immensely proud of the way in which our staff responded to the crisis" with "**We are** immensely proud of the way in which our staff responded to the crisis".*

- (3) *In the third sentence of the fifth paragraph of the second page of the Foreword (page 963 of the agenda), omit "As I write,".*

- (4) *In the third sentence of the sixth paragraph of the second page of the Foreword (page 963 of the agenda), substitute "I'm confident we will become a greener borough with a renewed, thriving economy, coming together to support our communities and most vulnerable residents." with "**We are confident** we will become a greener borough with a renewed, thriving economy, coming together to support our communities and most vulnerable residents."*

- (5) *Under the Homes and Jobs theme (page 969 of the agenda), amend the fourth corporate priority as follows:*

- ***Facilitate Support*** high quality development of strategic sites

- (6) *Under the Environment Theme (page 971 of the agenda), insert a fourth corporate priority as follows:*

- ***Make every effort to protect and enhance our biodiversity and natural environment.***

(The symbols to the side of the text to then include a Bumble Bee icon to reflect this additional priority.)

- (7) *Under the 'How We Will Measure our Success' (page 976 of the agenda), add an 8th measure, by inserting directly underneath air quality at monitoring sites, "**net gains in biodiversity and natural habitats**".*

The motion, as altered, would read as follows:

“That the proposed new Corporate Plan 2021-2025, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report submitted to the Council, be adopted, subject to the following minor modifications:

- (1) Amend the first paragraph of the second page of the Foreword (page 963 of the agenda) as follows:

“Sustainable transport systems, cycle ways and footpaths and improved public transport routes are vital. New housing developments will be required to have lower carbon emissions. High energy efficiency standards, electric vehicle charging points and renewable energy sources will all be features. **By using land more sustainably, we can also protect and create new habitats to enhance biodiversity**”.

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Comments:

Councillor Catherine Young
Councillor Liz Hogger

9. APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF JOINT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (Pages 1059 - 1066 of the Council agenda)

Update:

The reference in paragraph 6.2 of the report (page 1061 of the agenda) to the requirements of paragraph 5 of Part II of Schedule 1 to The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) Regulations 2001 have been complied with and no well-founded objection has been made by the Leader of the Council on behalf of the Executive.

Waverley Borough Council has also confirmed that no such objection has been made by their Leader on behalf of the Waverley Executive.

The motion:

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Joss Bigmore to propose, and the Deputy Leader of the Council, Councillor Jan Harwood to second, the adoption of the following motion:

- “(1) That Tom Horwood be appointed to the post of Joint Chief Executive of Guildford and Waverley Borough Councils, and to the statutory roles of Head of Paid Service, Returning Officer and Electoral Registration Officer for both Councils.
- (2) That the above appointments be confirmed once contract negotiations have been finalised.

Reason:

To ensure the Council complies with the requirements of:

- (1) Section 4 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 in respect of the appointment of a (Joint) Head of Paid Service.
- (2) Sections 8 and 35 of the Representation of People Act 1983 in respect of the appointment of Electoral Registration Officer and Returning Officer respectively.”

Comments:

None

10. COMMON SEAL

To order the Common Seal.