

Date: 12 May 2009

- TO: All Members of the Executive FOR ATTENDANCE
- TO: All Other Members of the Council FOR INFORMATION

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **EXECUTIVE** to be held in the **GUILDHALL**, **ABINGDON** on **Wednesday**, **20th May**, **2009** at **7.05 pm**, or **immediately upon the adjournment of the Council meeting**, whichever is the later.

Yours faithfully

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Margaret Reed Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Members are reminded of the provisions contained in the Code of Conduct adopted on 30 September 2007 and Standing Order 34 regarding the declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

AGENDA

A large print version of this agenda is available. Any background papers referred to may be inspected by prior arrangement. Contact Steve Culliford, Democratic Services Officer on telephone number (01235) 540307; e-mail: <u>steve.culliford@whitehorsedc.gov.uk</u>.

Please note that this meeting will be held in a wheelchair accessible venue. If you would like to attend and have any special access requirements, please let the Democratic Officer know beforehand and he will do his very best to meet your requirements.

Open to the Public including the Press

Map and Vision (Page 5)

A map showing the location of the venue for this meeting is attached.

The Council's Vision is to build and safeguard a fair, open and compassionate community.

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence.

2. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

To receive any declarations of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

Any Member with a personal interest or a personal and prejudicial interest in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct, in any matter to be considered at a meeting, must declare the existence and nature of that interest as soon as the interest becomes apparent in accordance with the provisions of the Code.

When a Member declares a personal and prejudicial interest he shall also state if he has a dispensation from the Standards Committee entitling him/her to speak, or speak and vote on the matter concerned.

Where any Member has declared a personal and prejudicial interest he shall withdraw from the room while the matter is under consideration unless

- (a) his/her disability to speak, or speak and vote on the matter has been removed by a dispensation granted by the Standards Committee, or
- (b) members of the public are allowed to make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter by statutory right or otherwise. If that is the case, the Member can also attend the meeting for that purpose. However, the Member must immediately leave the room once he/she has finished; or when the meeting decides he/she has finished whichever is the earlier and in any event the Member must leave the room for the duration of the debate on the item in which he/she has a personal and prejudicial interest.

3. Urgent Business and Chair's Announcements

To receive notification of any matters which the Chair determines should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the Chair.

4. Appointments to Advisory Groups and Joint Bodies 2009/10

A Booklet entitled **Membership of Meetings and Representatives on Outside Bodies** to be circulated at the meeting refers.

Recommendations

- (a) that all previous meetings shall now cease to operate forthwith;
- (b) that Members, Substitutes, Chairs and Vice-Chairs (as indicated) be appointed to the following meetings for the 2009/10 Municipal Year with the Terms of Reference as set out in the 'Membership of Meetings and Representatives on Outside Bodies Booklet' circulated at the meeting:

Officer/Member Meeting

Climate Change Project Board Health and Safety Review Board

Joint Bodies

Abingdon Integrated Transport and Land Use Study Steering Group Community Safety Management Group Faringdon Leisure Centre Advisory Group Grove Development Forum Informal Joint Senior Management Board Joint Economic Forum for Abingdon Joint Economic Forum for Faringdon Joint Economic Forum for Wantage Joint Waste Procurement Project Board Oxfordshire Waste Partnership Ridgeway Shared Service Partnership Strategic Board Supporting People Joint Commissioning Body Wantage Leisure Centre Liaison Committee

Advisory Groups

Old Gaol Advisory Group Reservoir Advisory Group Strategic and Local Planning Advisory Group

5. Appointments to Executive Outside Bodies 2009/10

A Booklet entitled **Membership of Meetings and Representatives on Outside Bodies** to be circulated at the meeting refers.

Earlier in the year enquiries were made regarding each of the outside bodies and in particular the value of continuing to make appointments to them. A meeting was held in April 2009 with the Leader of the Council and a representative of the Opposition Leader

to discuss the information gathered and to consider whether the Council should continue to make appointments. The Leader concluded that the following bodies should no longer be appointed to and these have been removed from the Membership of Meetings and Representatives on Outside Bodies Booklet:-

- Crimestoppers Board
- Local Government Association Urban Commission
- Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils
- Oxfordshire Food Forum
- Oxfordshire Leaders Forum
- Oxfordshire Market Towns Fund Steering Group
- Oxfordshire Nature Conservation Forum
- Oxfordshire Play Association
- Oxfordshire Touring Theatre Company
- Room*at*RTPI
- South East Development Agency's South East Design Champion Club

Recommendations

- (a) that all the previous appointments to Executive Outside Bodies, with the exception of those appointments with fixed terms of office shown in shaded text, do now cease; and
- (b) that representatives be appointed on Executive Outside Bodies for the 2009/10 Municipal Year as indicated in the Membership of Meetings and Representatives on Outside Bodies Booklet circulated at the meeting.

Exempt Information Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

None

