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Dear Councillor

**COUNCIL MEETING - TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2016**

A MEETING of the WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, THE BURYS, GODALMING on **TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2016** at **7.00 pm** and you are hereby summoned to attend this meeting.

The Agenda for the Meeting is set out below.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Policy and Governance

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## AGENDA

1. MINUTES (Pages 7 - 10)

To confirm the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 December 2015 (herewith).

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Mayor to report apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive from Members, declarations of interest in relation to any items included on the agenda for this meeting in accordance with the Waverley Code of Local Government Conduct.

4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

To answer the following questions from members of the public, received in accordance with Procedure Rule 10:-

i. from Mr H Alexander of Hambledon

“In relation to the fraud that occurred in April 2014, 19 senior Conservative councillors knew of the fraud. Knowledge of the fraud was deliberately kept from all junior Conservative councillors, all Ukip councillors and all Independent councillors. The fraud was not reported in the 2013/14 Annual Financial Statements as a post balance sheet event and nor was it disclosed in the 2014/15 Annual Financial Statements, the year in which it occurred.

The Waverley Members' Code of Conduct (“the Code”) requires that its members behave with Openness, Accountability and Integrity. This behaviour is also required of those in public life under Section 28 of the Localism Act 2011 (“the Act”). There is prima facie evidence that these requirements of the Code and the Act have been breached by the 19 senior Conservative councillors as follows:

1. Openness – by concealing the fraud from other councillors and all residents, and not disclosing it in the Annual Financials Statements, the 19 Conservative councillors have clearly breached this aspect of the Code and the Act; 2. Accountability – by concealing the fraud, the 19 Conservative councillors have prevented themselves from being held to account for their actions; 3. Integrity – the 19 Conservative councillors have shown a lack of integrity by concealing the fraud from opposition councillors. This lack of integrity is particularly serious given there was a Borough election in May 2015 and, by concealing the fraud, the Conservatives enhanced their electoral prospects.

In view of the fact that: 1. there is prima facie evidence that Councillors have broken both the Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011, and 2. The breach of the Code and the Act was extensive, with 19 Conservative councillors implicated, and 3. the breach of the Code and the Act has been sustained for a long period of time (more than 20 months), will the Council be ordering a full, independent and transparent investigation into the 19 councillors conduct?"

ii. from Mr David Beaman of Farnham

"The NPPF is quite clear in requiring all new residential developments to be sustainable including the provision of adequate transport facilities. Badshot Lea, where significant residential development is proposed, is currently served by an hourly Monday to Saturday daytime bus service that operates between Aldershot and Farnham then onto Godalming and Guildford. Under proposals issued by Surrey County Council that are currently open for consultation the section of route between Aldershot and Badshot Lea will be withdrawn completely whilst the number of journeys operated between Badshot Lea and Farnham is likely to be reduced from 10 to 6 or 7 journeys per day with the possibility of no service being provided at all on Saturdays. This reduction in bus service will inevitably affect the sustainability of any further residential development in Badshot Lea and would WBC confirm that when considering planning applications for any new residential development its transport sustainability will take account of any known future changes in bus service".

iii. from Charles Orange on behalf of Alfold, Busbridge, Chiddingfold, Dunsfold, Hambledon, Hascombe, Shalford and Wonersh Parish Councils

"Our question relates to our concerns on the viability of the consultation process in progress on Planning Application WA/2015/2395 submitted by Dunsfold Park on 4th December 2015, currently expiring on 5th February 2016.

We refer you to the following: In summer 2015 the Council published a Special Edition of "Making Waves" seeking opinions from the wider community on the specific question of their preferences for the location of housing in the borough with 4 x Scenario Areas proposed by the applicant, to assist the Council in the preparation of their Spatial Strategy. Only some 3% of the population responded, with an inevitable emphasis from those in the borough who feel threatened by development in their own neighbourhood of a preference for Scenario 4. We still await the publication of essential reports for meaningful consultations to take place, i.e.

- WBC's proposed Spatial Strategy – due in April
- Mott McDonald's report on their current transport assessment
- SCC Infrastructure Plans and Proposals, with current financial implications for recent comprehensive budget cuts

Given that inadequate pre-application consultations, on any aspect of this multi-faceted application have taken place (orchestrated by WBC in accordance with their Statement of Community Involvement) between Dunsfold Park and all, or any, of the statutory consultees, or involving the wider community; and that the Council has acknowledged that it cannot meet the formal deadline for submission of this application to a Joint Planning Committee, our question is:-

“How do you propose to proceed now to ensure that following receipt of the reports above, meaningful consultations can take place across all aspects of this application, with all level of consultees – as in your Statement of Community Involvement, and in a negotiated time frame acceptable to all parties, and as you rightly refer are necessary to avoid HMG penalties?”

**[NB. Questions from members of the public express personal views of the questioners and Waverley does not endorse any statements in any way and they do not reflect the views of Waverley Borough Council].**

6. QUESTION TIME

To answer any questions received in accordance with Procedure Rule 11.2.

7. MOTIONS

To receive any motions submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 12.1.

8. BUDGET 2016/2017

To receive the reports of the Executive in respect of the 2016/2017 budget.

**Members are reminded to also bring with them to the meeting the detailed budget papers circulated previously.**

8.a General Fund Revenue Budget 2016/2017 (Pages 11 - 50)

8.b General Fund Capital Programme 2016/2017 (Pages 51 - 62)

8.c Housing Revenue Account Business Plan, Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2016/2017 (Pages 63 - 96)

8.d Council Tax Setting 2016/2017 - to consider the report – To Follow (including any information received since the meeting of the Executive).

9. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE

To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Executive (coloured grey):-

9.a Meeting of 5 January 2016 (Pages 97 - 134)

9.b Meeting of 2 February 2016 (Pages 135 - 210)

10. MINUTES OF THE LICENSING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE (Pages 211 - 284)

To receive the minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee held on 28 January 2016 (coloured bright green).

11. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following motion, to be moved by the Mayor, where appropriate:-

That, pursuant to Procedure Rule 20 and in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any matter on this agenda on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the item(s), there would be disclosure to them of exempt information (as defined by Section 100I of the Act) of the description specified in the appropriate paragraph(s) of the revised Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (to be identified at the meeting).