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Dear Councillor

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2019

A SPECIAL MEETING of the WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, THE BURYS, GODALMING on **WEDNESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2019** at **7.00 pm** and you are hereby summoned to attend this meeting.

The Agenda for the Meeting is set out below.

Yours sincerely

ROBIN TAYLOR

Head of Policy and Governance

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AGENDA

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Mayor to report apologies for absence.

2. 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.

3. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE OF 3 SEPTEMBER 2019 (Pages 5 - 18)

To receive the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 3 September 2019, and to consider the recommendations from the Executive set out within.

PART I recommendations to Council:

3.1 **EXE 15/19 Climate Emergency**

The Executive considered a report [APPENDIX 1, Page 11] setting out the case for taking action to limit global warming, and for Waverley to become a carbon neutral council by 2030.

The Executive RECOMMENDS to Council that:

- i) Waverley Borough Council declares a 'Climate Emergency' requiring urgent action.
- ii) Waverley Borough Council aims to become carbon neutral by 2030, taking into account both production and consumption emissions, and takes a leadership role to achieve this working with other councils, including town and parish councils with the borough.
- iii) Waverley Borough Council recognises that the achievement of the target will require central government to provide the powers, funding and other resources to achieve the target and therefore calls on the government to provide such powers, funding and other resources as appropriate to facilitate achieving the 2030 target.
- iv) Officers be instructed to provide to the Council's Executive, within six months of the date of this decision, a report on the actions the Council and the local community can take to address these issues together with an action plan, specifying year on year milestones and metrics to show progress towards achieving the goal of carbon neutrality by 2030 noting any additional costs that might be involved.

3.2 EXE 16/19 Waverley Borough Council Corporate Strategy 2019- 2023

Since their election in May 2019, the multi-party Executive, comprising Farnham Residents, Green, Labour and Liberal Democrat councillors, has been working together and with senior managers to agree their shared priorities for their term of office, 2019 – 2023.

The Executive has set out a new Corporate Strategy [APPENDIX 2, Page 17] with a stronger focus on housing affordability, climate and public engagement, which it recommends to Full Council for adoption.

The Executive RECOMMENDS to Council that the new Waverley Borough Council Corporate Strategy 2019 – 2023 be adopted.

Members of the Council wishing to speak on the Part II matter of report must give notice to the Democratic Services Team by midday on Wednesday 18 September.

4. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

If necessary, to consider the following motion, to be moved by the Mayor:

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).