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Membership of the Executive

Cllr Paul Follows (Chairman) Cllr Peter Clark (Vice Chairman) Cllr Andy MacLeod Cllr Penny Marriott Cllr Mark Merryweather Cllr Kika Mirylees Cllr Nick Palmer Cllr Paul Rivers Cllr Liz Townsend Cllr Steve Williams

Dear Councillors

A meeting of the EXECUTIVE will be held as follows:

- DATE: TUESDAY, 7 JUNE 2022
- TIME: 6.00 PM

PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, THE BURYS, GODALMING

The Agenda for the Meeting is set out below.

Yours sincerely

ROBIN TAYLOR Head of Policy and Governance

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NOTES FOR MEMBERS

Contact Officers are shown at the end of each report and members are welcome to raise questions, make observations etc. in advance of the meeting with the appropriate officer.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Leader, Deputy Leader or an appropriate Portfolio Holder to respond to any informal questions from members of the public, for a maximum of 15 minutes.

[Questions will be taken in the order in which questioners register with the Democratic Services Officer prior to the start of question time. When read out, each question must be concluded within 2 minutes. In the event that it is not possible to give a verbal response, a written response will be provided following the meeting.]

<u>AGENDA</u>

1. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

To receive apologies for absence.

2. <u>MINUTES</u> (Pages 7 - 12)

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 May 2022.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

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. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The Chairman to respond to any questions received from members of the public for which notice has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 10.

The deadline for receipt of questions is 5pm on Tuesday 31 May 2022.

5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

The Chairman to respond to any questions received from Members in

accordance with Procedure Rule 11.

The deadline for receipt of questions is 5pm on Tuesday 31 May 2022.

6. <u>LEADER'S AND PORTFOLIO HOLDERS' UPDATES</u>

7. <u>APPROVAL OF THE DISCRETIONARY "ENERGY REBATE" SCHEME</u> (Pages 13 - 26)

[Portfolio Holder: Councillor Mark Merryweather]

In February 2022 the government announced a package of support known as the Energy Bills Rebate to help households with rising energy bills. The scheme includes a £150 rebate to all properties in council tax band A-D with criteria set by the government (the main scheme). The announcement includes a discretionary fund to support other financially vulnerable energy bill payers not covered under the main scheme. This report sets out a local scheme to comply with the government guidance.

Recommendation

That the Executive approve the Discretionary Energy Rebate Scheme set out in this report.

8. <u>HACKNEY CARRIAGE TARIFF FARE SCALES - REVIEW</u> (Pages 27 - 86) [Portfolio Holder: Councillor Andy MacLeod]

From time to time the Hackney Carriage trade requests that we, the Council, increase the amount that they can charge their customers, the last such request was in February 2014. This report sets out the recent history and current fare levels in Waverley.

The decision on whether to increase the maximum fare level is an Executive function. On the 29 March 2022 the Executive agreed to advertise/consult on a new maximum fare tariff.

Following consultation (from 01 April to 18th April) officers received 3 comments. The Executive is being asked to consider the 3 comments received and agree the new maximum fare tariff (with or without modifications) to come into effect on the 17 June 2022.

The Licensing & Regulatory Committee 23 May 2022 considered the report and recommended that the Executive agree the proposed advertised new maximum fare tariff (with the addition of a discretionary booking fee element of £1 modification) and to agree that the maximum fare tariff comes into effect on the 17 June 2022 (within 2 months of the first specified date - last date for objections on the scale of fares consultation 18 April 2022). A copy of the minutes is attached at Annexe 6.

Recommendation

It is recommended that

- 2.1. the Executive considers the comments, the Licensing & Regulatory Committee recommendation and agree the maximum fare tariff (with or without modifications).
- 2.2. the Executive's agreed maximum fare tariff comes into effect on the 17 June 2022 (within 2 months of the first specified date -last date for objections on the scale of fares consultation, 18 April 2022).
- 2.3 the Executive consider and decide the frequency of future reviews (DFT current guidance consultation recommends every 12 months).

9. <u>APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUPS</u> (Pages 87 - 92) [Portfolio Holder: Councillor Paul Follows]

At its meeting on 19 October 2021, the Council agreed to adopt a protocol for the establishment of Executive Working Groups. This report proposes the establishment of Cost of Living Working Group under that protocol.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Executive agree the establishment of Cost of Living Working Group as set out in paragraph 4.1 below and with the Terms of Reference attached at Annexe 1.

10. <u>ELECTRIC VEHICLE STRATEGY UPDATE</u> (Pages 93 - 114) [Portfolio Holder: Councillor Steve Williams

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In April 2021 Waverley adopted a strategy that outlined how it would encourage the transitions from petrol and diesel to electric vehicles as part of a sustainable transport system. The purpose of this report is to provide an annual progress update in terms of EV charger installations in the borough as per the EV strategy in Annex 1.

At the end of 2021 there were 17 public EV charger and 1 private charger installed by Waverley and 10 public chargers installed by SCC. A further 18 public chargers are due to be installed by Waverley by the end of 2022 with a further 10 due to be installed by SCC as part of the joint on street pilot. 18 public and 48 private chargers will be installed at Brightwells. This will complete Phase 1 of the roll out.

By the end of 2023 it is expected that there will be a charging facility in all of the larger Waverley owned car parks including some Leisure Centre car parks.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Executive note the progress made to date on the delivery of the EV strategy as outlined in Annex 1. Subsequent progress updates will be incorporated within the annual Carbon Neutrality Action Plan

progress reporting.

11. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following recommendation on the motion of the Chairman:-

Recommendation

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 the following item(s) 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 these items, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information (as defined by Section 100I of the Act) of the description specified at the meeting in the revised Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

12. ANY OTHER ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED IN EXEMPT SESSION

To consider matters (if any) relating to aspects of any reports on this agenda which, it is felt, may need to be considered in Exempt session.

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