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To the Councillors of Spelthorne Borough Council

I hereby summon you to attend a meeting of the Council to be held at The Council's Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames on **Thursday, 14 December 2023** commencing at **7.00 pm** for the transaction of the following business.

Daniel Mouawad Chief Executive

Councillors are encouraged to wear their badge of past office at the Council meeting.

Councillors are reminded to notify Committee Services of any Gifts and Hospitality offered to you since the last Council meeting so that these may be entered in the Gifts and Hospitality Declaration book.

#### **AGENDA**

Description Page nos. 1. Apologies for absence To receive any apologies for non-attendance. 2. **Disclosures of Interest** To receive any disclosures of interest from Councillors in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct for Members aside from those members that are also Surrey County Councillors. 3. **Minutes** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held 7 - 16on 19 October 2023. 4. **Announcements from the Mayor** To receive any announcements from the Mayor. 5. Announcements from the Leader To receive any announcements from the Leader. 6. Announcements from the Chief Executive To receive any announcements from the Chief Executive. 7. Questions from members of the public The Leader, or their nominee, to answer any questions raised by members of the public in accordance with Standing Order 13. As at Agenda publication date no questions have been received. 8. Changes to the Allocation of Seat for Committees Council is asked to approve the revised allocation of committee seats to 17 - 24the Conservative Group following the Ashford Town By-election in September 2023. 9. **Changes to the Constitution** 25 - 210 Council is asked to agree the proposed changes to the Council's Constitution that would take immediate effect. This item has previously been considered by the Standards Committee

and the minutes of that meeting, with their comments is attached as

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Report to follow.

# 11. Statement of Licensing Policy 2024-2029

Council is asked to approve the adoption of the revised Statement of 211 - 264 Licensing Policy 2024-2029.

# 12. Gambling Act Policy 2022-2025

Council is asked to approve the adoption of the Gambling Act Policy 265 - 302 2022-2025.

### 13. Determination of 2024/25 Council Tax Base for Tax Setting

Council is asked to approve the gross and net Council Tax Base for 2024/25 as recommended by the Corporate Policy & Resources Committee.

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Approval is sought to meet the legal requirements to set the Council Tax Base and publish it between 01 December 2023 and 31 January 2024 to Surrey County Council and The Surrey Policy Commissioner.

## 14. 2024-25 to 2027-28 Outline Budget Report

Council is asked to: 309 - 334

- 1. Note the current projected draft budget gaps set out in 1.80-1.81 of the report,
- 2. Approve the exploration of the range of options over the four year period set out in the report to close the budget gap. These options include seeking to maximise transformation savings including digital transformation, smarter use of physical assets, delivering cashable savings, prioritisation and collaboratives savings and in the last instance to use its reserves to deliver a balanced budget for 2024-25 and noting that there is some headroom to protect front line services and vulnerable residents, either in 2024/25 or future years; and
- 3. Confirm support for the initiatives suggested in the report which will allow Officers to work on closing the gaps for the years 2024-25 to 2027-28.

#### 15. Asset Management Strategy & Asset Management Plan

Council is asked to: 335 - 384

1. Approve the adoption of the Asset Management Strategy and the Asset Management Plan.

# 16. Appointment of Independent Members to Standards Committee

Council is asked to approve the recruitment of Gareth Young as the 385 - 390

Chair of the Standards Committee for two years, until December 2025.

## 17. Reports from the Committee Chairs

To receive and agree the reports from the Committee Chairs.

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## 18. Motions

To receive any motions from Councillors in accordance with Standing Order 16.

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# 19. General questions

The Leader, or their nominee, to answer questions from Councillors on matters affecting the Borough, in accordance with Standing Order 14.

As at the date of the Agenda publication no questions have been received.