Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting
26 February 2026

Present:

Councillors:

S.A. Dunn	J.R. Boughtflower	S.C. Mooney
M. Arnold	J. Button	G. Neall
M.M. Attewell	J.P. Caplin	L. E. Nichols
L. Barker	D.C. Clarke	K.E. Rutherford
C. Bateson	S.M. Doran	D. Saliagopoulos
S.N. Beatty	D.L. Geraci	J.R. Sexton
M. Beecher	M. Gibson	J.A. Turner
S. Bhadye	K.M. Grant	B. Weerasinghe
M. Bing Dong	S. Gyawali	H.R.D. Williams
H.S. Boparai	K. Howkins	P.N. Woodward
M. Buck	M.J. Lee	
T. Burrell	A. Mathur	

Apologies: Councillors J.T.F. Doran, L.H. Brennan, R. Chandler, R.V. Geach and N. Islam

7/26 Disclosures of Interest

Councillors Attewell, Boparai, Mooney, Sexton and Weerasinghe advised they were also Surrey County Councillors.

8/26 Exclusion of Press and Public (Exempt Items)

Council **resolved** to move the exclusion of the Press/Public for the following items, in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by

the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 and by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order 2006.

9/26 Appointment of Interim Chief Executive

Council considered a report that sought approval of the recommendation of the Appointments and Appeals Committee to appoint the preferred candidate to the role of Interim Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service for the period from 02 March 2026 to 31 March 2027.

A recorded vote was requested.

For	Councillor Dunn, Arnold, Attewell, Barker, Bateson, Beatty, Beecher, Bhadye, Boparai, Boughtflower, Buck, Burrell, Button, Caplin, S Doran, Geraci, Gibson, Grant, Gyawali, Lee, Mooney, Neall, Nicholas, Rutherford, Sexton, Turner, Weerasinghe, Williams – **28 votes**
Against	Councillors Clarke, Woodward – **2 votes**
Abstain	Councillors Bhadye, Howkins, Lee, Saliagopoulos – **4 votes**

Council **resolved** to approve the recommendation of the Appointments and Appeals Committee to appoint the preferred candidate to the role of Interim Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service for the period 02 March 2026 to 31 March 2027 on the terms set out in the report.