

Local Committee for Woking

Thursday 25 July 2002 at 10 am

Christ Church Rooms and Halls
Town Square
Woking
Surrey
GU21 6YG



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Notice of meeting

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Date: Thursday 25 July 2002

Time: 10 am (predicted end time 12:30 pm)

Place: Upper Room
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Members

Mr David Rousell
(SCC, Woking North; Chairman)

Mr Geoff Marlow
(SCC, Woking East; Vice-Chairman)

Mrs Elizabeth Compton
(SCC, Woking South West)

Mrs Sheila Gruselle
(SCC, Woking South)

Mrs Margaret Hill
(SCC, Woking West)

Mrs Val Tinney
(SCC, Woking South East)

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Notes

1. These are the formal papers for a formal meeting of the Local Committee for Woking. Members of the public are very welcome to come. The whole meeting is open to the public, except for confidential items. If there are any confidential items they will be in part two of the agenda and clearly marked as confidential.
2. Members of the public do not have the right to speak at formal meetings of the Local Committee. However, the Local Committee also has informal meetings so that members of the public can have their say. If you would like to receive news of these, please contact us (details at the bottom of the page).
3. Members of the public can send in questions to be answered at a formal Local Committee meeting. These questions must be sent in writing and we must receive them a week before the meeting.
4. It is also possible to present a petition to the Local Committee. Please contact us to find out how this must be done.
5. Committee Members are reminded that under Standing Orders, any Member who has an interest must declare it. If the interest is personal and prejudicial the Member must also withdraw from the meeting during the discussion of that item, except in the circumstances referred to in Standing Order 58.
6. Committee Members should give the Local Support Officer, Anita Kim, the wording of any motions and amendments no later than one hour before the start of the meeting.
7. A record of any items handled under delegated powers since the last meeting of the Committee will be available for inspection at the meeting.

If you have any questions about anything in these notes, or anything else about the Local Committee, please contact:

- Christine Holloway, Local Director, telephone 01483 518093, email christine.holloway@surreycc.gov.uk, or
- Anita Kim, Local Support Officer, telephone 01483 518094, email anita.kim@surreycc.gov.uk.

Local Committee for Woking Agenda

Part One - in public

1. Apologies for absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. Minutes of the last meeting: 1 July 2002

To approve the minutes of the last meeting and agree that the Chairman sign the minutes.

The minutes will be available in the Upper Room, Christ Church Rooms and Halls, Woking, half an hour before the start of the meeting.

3. Declarations of interests

In accordance with Standing Orders 58, to receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting.

Committee Members are reminded that in accordance with Standing Orders any Member declaring an interest is required to withdraw from the meeting except in circumstances specified within that Standing Order.

4. Petitions

To receive any petitions in accordance with Standing Order 62.

No petitions had been received when this agenda was sent out.

5. Public Question Time

To answer any questions from local government electors within Woking District.

A question has been received from Mr Peter Rigg in relation to overgrowth on public footpaths and bridleways:

“I use the local public footpaths and bridle paths a lot. Every year I - and many other residents - find it necessary to contact Woking BC (and now Surrey CC) to point out that vegetation, including nettles and brambles, is overgrowing the paths, rendering many of them impassable. It is always necessary to complain before anything happens - and indeed we have learnt that Woking BC used to wait until 8 complaints had been received before taking any action. This year the paths in my area are still uncleared.

Clearing vegetation from paths is an annual, predictable chore. As such, it should be feasible to plan for it to be done, by a reputable contractor after due tendering procedures, at predictable times. The process should not rely on residents' complaints.

Could you please let me know what is being done to improve the current process?"

6. Members' Question Time

To receive any questions from Members under Standing Order 45.

Executive Functions

7. Surrey schools attainment in Woking: interim report for academic year 2000-2001

(Approximate starting time – 10:15am)

To inform Members about the results of testing infant, junior and secondary school children in Woking for 2001 and how these compare with other areas, and to consider education issues in Woking for consideration in the development of the Surrey County Education Development Plan in autumn 2002.

8. Local library developments

(Approximate starting time – 10:45am)

To inform Members about the local library developments; and to agree that officers should explore all options for the future of Knaphill Library and report with specific recommendations at the first possible meeting after the Annual Library Plan is approved and the outcome of the Corporate Performance Assessment of libraries is known.

Non-Executive Functions

9. Right of Way – amendment to footpath 23 in Woking

(Approximate starting time – 11:00am)

To receive a report on proposed changes to public footpath 23, Woking and to decide on appropriate action.

Executive Functions

10. Woking Borough Council Best Value review on "Improving independence for older people (related services)".

(Approximate starting time – 11:10am)

To note that Woking Borough Council will be carrying out a best value review on "Improving independence for older people (related services)",

and to ask Members what issues they would like to see addressed by the review.

11. Allocating Local Committee funding.

(Approximate starting time – 11:15am)

To agree the process and criteria for the allocation of undesignated funds.

12. Vandalism in West Byfleet

(Approximate starting time – 11:35am)

To note the current concerns about vandalism in West Byfleet and discuss appropriate action.

13. Future agenda programme for the Local Committee for Woking

(Approximate starting time – 11:40am)

To decide which subjects the Local Committee for Woking will consider at each of its formal meetings in the coming year, and topics to be addressed in informal sessions.

14. The spatial plan and its implications for Woking.

(Approximate starting time – 11:45am)

To receive information on the spatial plans for Woking.

15. Exclusion of the Press and Public

That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for an item of business which involves the likely disclosure of exempt information under the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

Despatch Date: 19 July 2002