



5 March 2024

RUGBY BOROUGH COUNCIL

A meeting of Rugby Borough Council will be held in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Rugby at 7.00pm on Wednesday 13 March 2024.

Members of the public may also view the meeting via the livestream available on the Council's website.

Mannie Ketley
Chief Executive

A G E N D A

PART 1 – PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Minutes.
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2024.
3. Declaration of Interests.
To receive declarations of -
 - (a) non-pecuniary interests as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors;
 - (b) pecuniary interests as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors; and
 - (c) notice under Section 106 Local Government Finance Act 1992 - non-payment of Community Charge or Council Tax.
4. To receive the Mayor's Announcements.

5. Questions pursuant to Standing Order 10.
6. To receive the reports of Cabinet and Committees which have met since the last meeting of the Council and to pass such resolutions and to make such orders thereon as may be necessary:

(a) Cabinet – 11 March 2024

(1) UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) - Year 3 Spend – Growth and Investment Portfolio.

(2) Swimming Pool Support Fund: Phase 2 – Leisure and Wellbeing Portfolio.

7. To receive and consider the reports of officers.

(a) Use of Councillor suffixes – report of the Chief Officer – Legal and Governance (report to follow).

(b) Elections – Resources – report of the Returning Officer (report to follow).

8. Notices of Motion pursuant to Standing Order 11.

(a) “Following a recent answer to a question which revealed Rugby Borough Council has little information on the social value of initiatives it undertakes, the Labour Group call on the Council to adopt as a matter of urgency:

- A best practice Social Value policy as promoted by the LGA and The Social Value Portal in their Social Value for District Authorities toolkit, incorporating the TOMs set out in the toolkit.
- The embedding of social value into all procurement and require all contractors on report on social value in line with the requirements of the policy. Typically, this might mean jobs for those furthest from the job market, spend with local SMEs, opportunities for voluntary organisations, environmental improvements, and volunteering in the community.
- A social value calculator so that a financial value of the impact of the work can be calculated.
- An annual report to council on the social value of all initiatives in the previous financial/municipal year whichever is deemed appropriate.

Proposer: Councillor Ms Livesey

Seconder: Councillor Mrs Brown

(b) Starting with Caldecott Park in 2024, this Council commits to improving inclusivity across all Council-run parks for children with mobility problems, physical disabilities and special educational needs and disabilities by:

1. Hosting a focus group to engage children with lived experience, their carers, families, and relevant community groups. The scope of the focus group will include coproduction of the design of the planned inclusive play area in Caldecott Park and coproduction of a list of inclusive design principles.

2. Ensuring the coproduction process considers intersectionality, such as gender, therefore maximising the opportunities to improve inclusion.
3. Publishing the coproduced list of inclusive design principles on the Council website and using the list in the contracting processes for all future play area installations, maintenance, and upgrades.
4. Creating a 'community of interest' constituted of people with lived experience and relevant community groups to routinely consult through the Council's rolling process of play area instalments, maintenance, and upgrades.

Proposer: Councillor Mrs Robinson

Seconder: Councillor Harrington

9. Motion to Exclude the Public under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

To consider the following resolution:

"under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of information defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act."

PART 2 – EXEMPT INFORMATION

1. To receive the private reports of Cabinet and Committees which have met since the last meeting of the Council and to pass such resolutions and to make such orders thereon as may be necessary:

(a) Cabinet – 11 March 2024

(1) Write Offs – Finance, Performance, Legal and Governance Portfolio (report to follow).

2. To receive and consider the private reports of officers.

(a) Election Fees and Charges – report of the Returning Officer (report to follow).

QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL

A Councillor may ask a question at the meeting by giving notice in writing of the question to the Chief Executive no later than midday on Thursday 7 March 2024. The rules relating to Questions are set out in Part 3a of the Council's Constitution.

REPORT OF CABINET

11 March 2024

PRESENT:

To be confirmed after Cabinet on 11 March 2024.

1. UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND (UKSPF) - YEAR 3 SPEND

Cabinet is due to consider a report concerning the proposed allocation of a proportion of Year 3 UK Shared Prosperity Funding for 1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025. The report is available here:

[Report UKSPF - Year 3 Spend](#)

Recommendation of Cabinet

Cabinet is due to recommend to Council that –

- (1) the allocation of UKSPF for 2024/2025 (year 3) as set out in the report be approved;
- (2) delegated authority be given to the Chief Officer for Finance and Performance in consultation with the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment to make any other minor changes to spend to ensure all money is spend by the end of the financial year 2024/2025;
- (3) delegated authority be given to the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment to approve recommendations of the Local Partnership Group in relation to successful borough wide business grant applications;
- (4) a supplementary capital budget of £200,000 be approved, as detailed in the report, and added to the capital programme, to be wholly funded by UKSPF grant; and
- (5) a supplementary revenue budget of £560,960 be approved as detailed in the report to be wholly funded by UKSPF grant.

Recommended that – the recommendation of Cabinet be approved.

2. SWIMMING POOL SUPPORT FUND: PHASE 2 CAPITAL

Cabinet is due to consider a report concerning the proposed acceptance of £185,421 funding from Sport England's Swimming Pool Support Fund for financial year 2023/24 and the distribution of this to the Council's swimming pool operator (GLL), as per the grant conditions. The report is available here:

[Report Swimming Pool Support Fun: Phase 2 Capital](#)

Recommendation of Cabinet

Cabinet is due to recommend to Council that a supplementary capital budget of £185,420 be approved, as detailed in the report, and added to the capital programme for 2023/24. Funded by Sport England Swimming Pool Support Funding which will be transferred to the Council's leisure operator (GLL), as per the grant conditions.

Recommended that – the recommendation of Cabinet be approved.

**COUNCILLOR D POOLE
CHAIR**