

# RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL

# POLICY AND PROJECT ADVISORY BOARD

To be held at the Council Offices, Farnborough on Tuesday, 22nd July, 2025 at 7.00 pm

To:

Cllr Abe Allen (Chairman) Cllr Lisa Greenway (Vice-Chairman)

> Cllr A. Adeola Cllr Rhian Jones Cllr Halleh Koohestani Cllr Mara Makunura Cllr S.J. Masterson Cllr T.W. Mitchell Cllr M.J. Roberts Cllr M.D. Smith Cllr Ivan Whitmee

Standing Deputies:

Cllr C.W. Card Cllr Leola Card Cllr Steve Harden Cllr Dhan Sarki Cllr Becky Williams

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### AGENDA

#### 1. CHANGE OF BOARD MEMBERSHIP -

To note the appointment of Cllr S.J. Masterson as a Member of the Policy and Project Advisory Board in place of Cllr Peace Essien Igodifo for the remainder of the 2025/26 Municipal Year. The appointment has been made by the Leader of the Conservative Group in accordance with Standing Orders and arrangements to secure political balance.

#### 2. **MINUTES –** (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th June, 2025 (copy attached).

#### 3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION - CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS FOR UNITARY COUNCILLOR RATIOS AND WARDING PATTERNS AND ENGAGEMENT UPDATE (ITEM DURATION - 60 MINUTES) –

To consider options for unitary Councillor ratios and warding patterns and their implications for Members and to receive an update on the Local Government Reorganisation engagement process ahead of the submission in September (papers to follow).

Karen Edwards, Executive Director and Jill Shuttleworth, Corporate Manager – Democratic Services will be in attendance at the meeting to provide a short presentation and guide the discussion.

#### 4. IMPLICATIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT JUDGEMENT ON THE INTERPRETATION OF THE EQUALITY ACT (ITEM DURATION - 30 MINUTES) – (Pages 7 - 22)

To consider the implications and possible changes to Council services and facilities and provide feedback in advance of community engagement (papers attached).

Alex Shiell, Service Manager – Policy, Strategy and Transformation will be in attendance at the meeting to guide the discussion.

#### 5. **WORK PLAN –** (Pages 23 - 32)

To discuss the Policy and Project Advisory Board Work Plan (copy attached).

### **MEETING REPRESENTATION**

Members of the public may ask to speak at the meeting on any of the items on the agenda by writing to the Panel Administrator at the Council Offices, Farnborough by 5.00 pm two working days prior to the meeting.

Applications for items to be considered for the next meeting must be received in writing to the Panel Administrator fifteen working days prior to the meeting.

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