



# BOROUGH OF RUSHMOOR

To the Mayor and Members of the Council,

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to attend an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council to be held at the Council Offices, Farnborough on **Thursday, 25th September, 2025 at 7.00 pm** for the transaction of the business set out on the Agenda given below.

## A G E N D A

### 1. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION – (Pages 1 - 18)**

To receive a report from the Cabinet (copy attached – Annex 1) which recommends approval of the proposal 'Close Enough to be Local, Big Enough to Stay Strong' for submission to government and confirming the Council's preferred option. Cllr Gareth Williams, Leader of the Council, will introduce this item.

2. **COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS – (Pages 19 - 76)**

To receive a report which has been prepared by the Monitoring Officer (copy attached – Annex 2) which sets out the results of the first-round consultation in respect of the Community Governance Review approved by the Council and recommends that the Council proceed to the second stage consultation. Cllr Bill O'Donovan, Chair of the Corporate Governance, Audit and Standards Committee will introduce this item.

3. **CONSTITUTION UPDATE - STANDING ORDERS FOR THE REGULATION OF BUSINESS – (Pages 77 - 112)**

At its meeting on 10th July 2025 the Council considered and approved updates to the Constitution. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 29 (1), the proposed amendments to the Standing Orders for the Regulation of Business stood adjourned without discussion. A copy of the revised Standing Orders is attached and recommended for approval (Annex 3). Cllr Bill O'Donovan, Chair of the Corporate Governance, Audit and Standards Committee will introduce this item.

4. **APPOINTMENTS 2025/26 – (Pages 113 - 116)**

Further to changes to the political balance on the council, a review of the seats on committees has been carried out and shared with Group Leaders. The Council is recommended to approve the changes to appointments to committees in accordance with the allocations to achieve political balance as set out in Annex 4 (copy to follow).

5. **EXTENSION TO DESIGNATIONS OF HEAD OF PAID SERVICE AND MONITORING OFFICER – (Pages 117 - 120)**

To receive a report from the Corporate Governance, Audit and Standards Committee (copy attached – Annex 5) which recommends extensions to the designations of the statutory posts of Head of Paid Service and Monitoring Officer. Cllr Bill O'Donovan, Chair of the Corporate Governance, Audit and Standards Committee will introduce this item.

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Wednesday 17 September 2025