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Executive Board

****Pre-Agenda Notification****

Thursday, 16 March 2023 2.00 p.m.

Boardroom - Municipal Building, Widnes

S. Young

Chief Executive

ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

PART 1

Item

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- 8. SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972
AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO
INFORMATION) ACT 1985**

PART II

In this case the Board has a discretion to exclude the press and public and, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, it is **RECOMMENDED** that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, having been satisfied that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

*Please contact Gill Ferguson 0151 511 8059 or
gill.ferguson@halton.gov.uk for further information.
The next meeting of the Committee is on Thursday, 20 April 2023*

9. DEPUTY LEADER'S PORTFOLIO**(A) FORMER BUS DEPOT, MOOR LANE, WIDNES**

Reason for taking the item in Part II:-

The Council wishes to maintain its commercial property transactions and information relating to disposal prices of property assets confidential so that it does not prejudice its other property dealings and protect the Council's commercial confidentiality.

(B) 57-59 HIGH STREET, RUNCORN

Reason for taking the item in Part II:-

The Council wishes to maintain its commercial property transactions and information relating to lease arrangements of property assets confidential so that it does not prejudice its other property dealings.

10. ADULT SOCIAL CARE PORTFOLIO**(A) LILYCROSS CARE CENTRE - CARE BEDS**

Reason for taking the item in Part II:-

Account has been taken of the advantages of disclosure in terms of transparency and accountability. However, consideration has also been given to the damage to the public interest in disclosing the contract value and associated bed rate, given the community interest in this by other care home bed providers in the Borough. Therefore, on balance, the advantage of confidentiality outweighs the advantages of disclosure.

(B) CARE PROVIDER CONTRACT UPLIFT 2023/24

Reason for taking the item in Part II:-

The public may be interested in fee uplifts for the care sector and the impact on the social care budget. The disclosure of the negotiations, consultation and fee structure may jeopardise negotiations and drive up costs.

11. ENVIRONMENT AND URBAN RENEWAL PORTFOLIO**(A) FOUNDRY LANE RESIDENTIAL**

Reason for taking the item in Part II:-

The public interest in not disclosing is that the information contained in the report relates to third party financial and business affairs. The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information in order to protect the Council and third party confidentiality.

(B) SCI-TECH DARESBURY MASTERPLAN UPDATE

Reason for taking the item in Part II:-

The public interest in not disclosing is that the information contained in the report relates to third party financial and business affairs. The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information in order to protect the Council and third party confidentiality.

12. LEADER'S PORTFOLIO

(A) CONTRACT FOR ADVOCACY SERVICES

Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice is hereby given that under Regulation 5 of the above, Councillor Gilligan, as Chair of the Corporate Policy and Performance Board, has agreed to the following item of business being considered in Part II, as the item of business is considered urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred for the reason stated below:

REASON:

The present contract extension is expiring and there is a need for continuity of service.

In accordance with the Health and Safety at Work Act the Council is required to notify those attending meetings of the fire evacuation procedures. A copy has previously been circulated to Members and instructions are located in all rooms within the Civic block.