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To: MEMBERS OF THE CABINET
(Copies to all Members of the Council)

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at an Extraordinary meeting of the Cabinet to be held in the Council Chamber, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill on Tuesday, 5th December, 2023 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Members of the Cabinet are required to attend in person. Other Members may attend in person or participate online via MS Teams.

Information on how to observe the meeting will be published on the Council's website.

(NB: Background papers to items referred from Scrutiny Select Committees and Committees have been omitted from printed agenda packs.)

Yours faithfully

JULIE BEILBY

Chief Executive

A G E N D A

1. Guidance for the Conduct of Meetings

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PART 1 - PUBLIC

2. Apologies for absence 9 - 10
3. Declarations of interest 11 - 12

Members are reminded of their obligation under the Council's Code of Conduct to disclose any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests in any matter(s) to be considered or being considered at the meeting. These are explained in the Code of Conduct on the Council's website at [Code of conduct for members – Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council \(tmbc.gov.uk\)](https://www.tmbc.gov.uk/code-of-conduct-for-members).

Members in any doubt about such declarations are advised to contact Legal or Democratic Services in advance of the meeting.

Matters for Recommendation to the Council

4. Medium Term Financial Strategy and Savings Update 13 - 24

The report provides an update on the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) having regard to the latest financial issues; sets out the savings identified and will assist in meeting 'tranche 1' of the latest savings target and sets out proposals for the allocation of the one-off windfall sum highlighted in the 'Financial Planning and Control 2023/24' report to Cabinet in October.

5. Council Tax Premium Changes for Empty and Second Homes 25 - 30

This report provides an update to a previous Cabinet recommendation (Cabinet meeting on 10 January 2023) to change Council Tax premium charges, subject to the enactment of the Levelling up and Regeneration Bill.

This Bill has now received Royal Assent and Cabinet is now requested to recommend to Full Council in February 2024 that a Council Tax premium for second homes from the 2025/26 financial year onwards is introduced; and that the amendments to Council Tax empty home premiums from the 2024/25 financial year onwards are adopted.

Decisions to be taken in accordance with Part 3 of the Constitution

Executive Non-Key Decisions

6. Future of the Angel Centre, Tonbridge 31 - 46

Recommendation FRP 23/27 of Finance, Regeneration and Property Scrutiny Select Committee of 14 November 2023.

The aim of this report is to ascertain Members' in-principle views on the future of the existing Angel Centre building as part of the Council's work to review its land and property assets in Tonbridge town centre.

Annex 1 contains private/confidential information and is attached to the agenda under Part 2 - Private.

Matters submitted for Information

7. Decisions taken by Cabinet Members 47 - 48

A record of the decisions taken by portfolio holders since the last meeting of Cabinet are attached.

8. Urgent Items 49 - 50

Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive.

Matters for consideration in Private

9. Exclusion of Press and Public 51 - 52

The Chairman to move that the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting during consideration of any items the publication of which would disclose exempt information.

PART 2 - PRIVATE

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(Reason: LGA 1972 - Sch 12A Paragraph 3 – Financial or business affairs of any particular person)

11. Urgent Items 55 - 56

Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive.

MEMBERSHIP

Councillor M D Boughton, (Leader)
Councillor R P Betts, (Climate Change, Regeneration and Property)
Councillor M A Coffin, (Transformation and Infrastructure)
Councillor D Keers, (Community Services)
Councillor K B Tanner, (Finance and Housing)
Councillor M Taylor, (Planning)

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