

# MINUTES

## Dacorum Borough Council

### Strategic Planning and Environment Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**Councillors:** Cllr Patterson  
Cllr Gale  
Cllr Anderson  
Cllr Wyatt-Lowe  
Cllr Birnie  
Cllr Riddick  
Cllr Timmis  
Cllr Deacon  
Cllr C Hobson (Chair)

Also in attendance:

Cllr Wilkie  
Cllr England  
Cllr Bromham

**Officers: (6)**

James Doe – Strategic Director - Place  
Philip Stanley – Head of Development Management  
Emma Walker – Head of Environmental and Community Protection  
Stefania Horne – Strategic Director Neighbourhood Operations  
John Mootealoo – Head of Environmental Services  
Clare Dempsey – Financial Planning and Analysis Manager

The meeting began at 20:30

**1 MINUTES AND ACTIONS**

The Minutes of the last meeting were agreed

**2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were apologies from Cllr Walker, Cllr S Hobson, Cllr Pringle, Cllr Mitchell

**3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**5 CONSIDERATION OF ANY MATTER REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE IN  
RELATION TO A CALL-IN**

None

**6 BUDGET REPORT**

**Action:** Layla Fowell to speak to Cllr Taylor on arranging training on the councils tendering process

**Action:** John Mooteealoo to provide details on if there are savings by starting 2 week later in 2024 compared to 2023.

**Recommendation to the decision maker:**

That the Scrutiny Committee reviews and scrutinises the draft budget proposals for 2024/25 and provides feedback, to be considered by Cabinet, for each Committee's specific area of responsibility.

Recommendations agreed

For full minutes please refer to the video minutes.

**7 WORK PROGRAMME**

To add Verge Hardening and Buses to Work Programme for future consideration.