



Agenda for the Meeting of the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority

Monday, 23 February, 2026
At
6.30pm

RBFRS Headquarters
Lynda Kenyon Suite
Newsham Court
Pincent's Kiln
Calcot
Reading
Berkshire
RG31 7SD

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S U M M O N S

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority at the time, date and venue indicated above, when it is proposed to deal with the business set out in the enclosed Agenda.

GRAHAM BRITTON
Monitoring Officer

To: **Members of the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority:**

Councillor George Blundell	Councillor Billy Drummond
Councillor Dilbagh Parmar	Councillor Rachelle Shepherd-DuBey
Councillor Andy NG Siu-hong	Councillor Peter Frewer
Councillor Zafar Satti	Councillor Paul Gittings
Councillor Mohammed Nazir	Councillor Wendy Griffith
Councillor Greg Bello	Councillor Dave McElroy
Councillor Dennis Benneyworth	Councillor Owen Jeffery
Councillor Tina McKenzie-Boyle	Councillor Wayne Smith
Councillor Jeff Brooks	Councillor Genevieve Gosling
Councillor Tricia Brown	Councillor Simon Werner

Copy to: **Senior Leadership Team (SLT), Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service**

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Purpose:

To receive declarations of interest from Councillors relating to items to be considered at the meeting, in accordance with the provisions of the Fire Authority's Local Code of Conduct, and any from Officers.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2025 (Pages 1-9) and Minutes of the meeting held on 10 December 2025 (Pages 1-3)

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the meetings and any recoded actions held on 25 November 2025 & 10 December 2025 be confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chair.

4. Petitions and Questions from the Public under Standing Orders 19 and 25

Purpose:

To receive any questions from members of the public, in accordance with Standing Orders 19 and 25.

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5. Receipt of Announcements

Purpose:

To receive any announcements from the Chair or the Chief Fire Officer.

6. Issues arising from the Audit and Governance Committee

Recommendation:

That it be noted that no reports have been referred by the Audit and Governance Committee.

7. Questions from Members under Standing Order 30

Purpose:

To receive any questions from Members under Standing Order 30.

8. Notices of Motion under Standing Order 44

Purpose:

To receive any notices of Motion under Standing Order 44.

9. Recommendations of Committees

Recommendation:

To note that

- Item 10 (Budget 2026/27) has been recommended from Management Committee on 10 February 2026; and
- Item 11 (Pay Policy Statement) has been recommended from Audit & Governance Committee on 26 January 2026; and
- Item 12 (2026/27 Scheme of Allowance Review) has been recommended from Management Committee on 10 February 2026.

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10. Annual Budget 2026/27 (Pages 1-5)

Purpose:

To note and approve the Annual Budget 2026/27 and Council Tax Precept.

Appendix A – Pages 1-3

Appendix B – Pages 1-8

Appendix C – Pages 1-18

Appendix D – Pages 1-30

Appendix E – Pages 1-24

Appendix F – Pages 1-8

Appendix G – Pages 1-9

Appendix H – Pages 1-2

11. Pay Policy Statement (Pages 1-3)

Purpose:

To approve the Pay Policy Statement for 2026/2027.

Appendix A – Pages 1-15

12. 2026/27 Scheme of Allowance Review (Pages 1-4)

Purpose:

To approve the Scheme of Member Allowances Annual Review.

Appendix A – Pages 1-6

Appendix B – Pages 1-5

13. Proportionality and Appointments to Committees (Pages 1-5)

Purpose:

To agree the political proportionality of the Authority and appoint Conservative Members onto Committees.

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14. Forward Plan (One Page)

Recommendation:

That the Forward Plan be noted.

15. Minutes of the Standing Committees

Recommendation:

To note Minutes of recent meetings were published on RBFRS website
<http://www.rbfrs.co.uk/about-us/fire-authority/fire-authority-meetings/>

16. Date of next meeting

Thursday 30th April 2026, 6.30pm at RBFRS Headquarters, Newsham Court, Pincent Kiln, Calcot, Reading RG31 7SD.

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