



Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday 14 July 2020

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue Virtual meeting

Membership

Councillor Lucinda Wing (Chairman) Councillor Tom Wallis (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Mike Bishop

Councillor Phil Chapman

Councillor Chris Heath

Councillor Shaida Hussain

Councillor Tony Mephram

Councillor Ian Middleton

Councillor Perran Moon

Councillor Les Sibley

Councillor Douglas Webb

Councillor Bryn Williams

AGENDA

Overview and Scrutiny Members should not normally be subject to the party whip. Where a member is subject to a party whip they must declare this at the beginning of the meeting and it should be recorded in the minutes.

1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. Minutes (Pages 5 - 8)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2020.

4. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman.

5. **Urgent Business**

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

6. **Digital Connectivity in Cherwell** (Pages 9 - 58)

Steven Newman, Senior Economic Growth Officer at Cherwell District Council, and Craig Bower, Digital Programme Manager at Oxfordshire County Council, will attend to give an update on Digital Connectivity in Cherwell.

A briefing note and appendices are attached for information.

7. **Monthly Performance, Risk and Finance Monitoring Report - Quarter 4 / March 2020** (Pages 59 - 92)

Report of Director of Finance and Head of Insight and Corporate Programmes

Purpose of report

This report summarises the Council's Performance, Risk and Finance monitoring position as at the end of each month.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To note the monthly Performance, Risk and Finance Monitoring Report.

8. **Housing Strategy Progress Report** (Pages 93 - 112)

Report of Assistant Director, Housing and Social Care Commissioning

Purpose of report

To report back on progress in implementing the Council's Housing Strategy 2019-2024 and to gain Overview and Scrutiny Committee's input to the action plan for 2020/21.

Recommendations

The Committee is requested to:

- 1.1 Note and comment on the contents of this report and appendices in advance of the Strategy Action Plan 2020/21 being finalised.

9. **Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2019/20** (Pages 113 - 128)

Report of Monitoring Officer (Interim)

Purpose of report

This report presents the draft Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report for 2019/20.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider the draft Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual report 2019/20
- 1.2 To delegate authority to the Monitoring Officer (Interim), in consultation with the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to finalise the areas highlighted in the report prior to its submission to Council.

10. Work Programme 2020/2021 (Pages 129 - 134)

Democratic and Elections Officers will give an update on progress regarding subjects raised at previous Committee meetings (appendix 1, attached).

The Committee to consider the work programme (appendix 2, attached).

Information about this Meeting

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence should be notified to democracy@cherwellandsouthnorthants.gov.uk or 01295 221953 / 01295 221591 prior to the start of the meeting.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item.

Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

Members are reminded that any member who is two months in arrears with Council Tax must declare the fact and may speak but not vote on any decision which involves budget setting, extending or agreeing contracts or incurring expenditure not provided for in the agreed budget for a given year and could affect calculations on the level of Council Tax.

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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