

Committee: Budget Planning Committee

Date: Tuesday 26 October 2021

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, Oxon OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor Nicholas Mawer (Chairman)

Councillor Phil Chapman Councillor John Donaldson Councillor Shaida Hussain

Councillor Carmen Griffiths (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Conrad Copeland

Councillor David Hughes

Councillor Andrew McHugh

Councillor Douglas Webb Councillor Fraser Webster
Councillor Lucinda Wing Councillor Sean Woodcock

AGENDA

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 14 September 2021.

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. Performance, Finance and Risk Monitoring Report

The report and appendices for this item are to follow as they are currently being reviewed and finalised

7. Financial Management Code - Self Assessment Update (Pages 9 - 16)

Report of Director of Finance

Purpose of report

To update the Committee on the Council's self-assessment against the requirements of CIPFA's Financial Management Code.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 to note the Council's self-assessment against the requirements of CIPFA's Financial Management Code.

8. Review of Committee Work Plan (Pages 17 - 18)

To review the Committee Work Plan.

9. Exclusion of Press and Public

The following report(s) contain exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.

3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Members are reminded that whilst the following item(s) have been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider each of them in private or in public. In making the decision, members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

Should Members decide not to make a decision in public, they are recommended to resolve as follows:

"That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that, if the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraph 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information."

10. Castle Quay update

Verbal update on the Castle Quay development from the Corporate Director-Commercial Development, Assets and Investment and the Property and Investment Consultant.

Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members Room at the end of the meeting.

Information about this Meeting

Apologies for Absence

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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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Yvonne Rees Chief Executive

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