

Committee: **Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board**

Date: **Tuesday 15 June 2010**

Time: **7.00 pm**

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

Membership

Councillor Nicholas Mawer (Chairman)

Councillor Alyas Ahmed

Councillor Maurice Billington

Councillor Tim Emptage

Councillor Carol Steward

Councillor Douglas Webb

Councillor David Hughes (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Rick Atkinson

Councillor Margaret Cullip

Councillor Neil Prestidge

Councillor Patricia Tompson

Councillor Martin Weir

Substitutes

Councillor Nick Cotter

Councillor Lawrie Stratford

Councillor Mrs Diana Edwards

Councillor Douglas Williamson

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. Urgent Business

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

4. Minutes (Pages 1 - 8)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meetings of the Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board held on 16 February 2010 and 19 May 2010.

5. Disabled Facilities Grants ~ Briefing

The Strategic Director, Planning Housing and Economy and officers from Housing Services will be present at the meeting.

This is an opportunity for the Board to find out more about Disabled Facilities Grants and to question officers on the Council's Disabled Facilities Grants service.

The Board will wish to reflect on the presentation and evidence and if there are any issues that they wish to explore further, these should be added to the 2010/11 Work Programme.

6. Draft Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2009/10 (Pages 9 - 20)

Report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Summary

The report presents the draft Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2009/10.

Recommendation

The Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board is recommended to:

- (1) Note the draft Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2009/10.

7. Appointment of Working Group Members (Pages 21 - 24)

Report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Summary

To consider the appointment of Members to the Finance Scrutiny Working Group and Performance Scrutiny Working Group.

Recommendations

The Resources & Performance Scrutiny Board is recommended to:

- (1) Confirm the membership of the Finance Scrutiny Working Group.

- (2) Confirm the membership of the Performance Scrutiny Working Group.

8. **Draft Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2010/11** (Pages 25 - 34)

Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Summary

To provide the Board with the draft overview and scrutiny work programme for 2010/11, to update Members on work programme items from the 2009/10 overview and scrutiny work programme and to consider items for inclusion on the 2010/11 work programme.

Recommendations

The Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board is recommended to:

- (1) Note the Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board element of the draft Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2010/11.
- (2) To note the update on items carried forward from the 2009/10 overview and scrutiny work programme.
- (3) To nominate Members to participate in the fees and charges policy review group.
- (4) To consider the items suggested for inclusion on the 2010/11 Work Programme.

Information about this Agenda

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence should be notified to democracy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or (01295) 221589 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. The definition of personal and prejudicial interests is set out in the constitution. The Democratic Support Officer will have a copy available for inspection at all meetings.

Personal Interest: Members must declare the interest but may stay in the room, debate and vote on the issue.

Prejudicial Interest: Member must withdraw from the meeting room and should inform the Chairman accordingly.

With the exception of the some very specific circumstances, a Member with a personal interest also has a prejudicial interest if it is one which a Member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest.

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.

Queries Regarding this Agenda

Please contact Natasha Clark, Legal and Democratic Services natasha.clark@cherwell-dc.gov.uk (01295) 221589

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