

# NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting:	Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date and Time:	Tuesday 16 February 2021 at 7.00 pm
Place:	Council Chamber
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Members:	Worlock (Chairman), Axam, Davies, Dorn, Drage, Farmer, Lamb, Makepeace-Browne, Smith, Wildsmith and Wright

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# AGENDA

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# 1 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 4 - 9)

The minutes of the meeting of 19 January 2021 are attached to be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

# 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence from Members\*.

\***Note:** Members are asked to email Committee Services in advance of the meeting as soon as they become aware they will be absent.

## **3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To declare disclosable, pecuniary and any other interests\*.

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# 4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE AGENDA)

Anyone wishing to make a statement to the Committee should contact Committee Services at least two clear working days prior to the meeting. Further information can be found at

https://www.hart.gov.uk/sites/default/files/4\_The\_Council/Council\_meetings/Publi c%20Participation%20leaflet%202020%20A4.pdf

## 5 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 6 MEMBER TRAINING - A REVIEW (Pages 10 - 27)

This report provides an overview of the council's member training to enable a discussion around the support and requirements for Members moving forwards.

## 7 CORPORATE VEHICLE FOR PROPERTY HOLDING PURPOSES: DRAFT BUSINESS CASE (Pages 28 - 39)

To present the Business Case to set up a new Company limited by shares as a vehicle to hold the Council owned Edenbrook development of 41 apartments. At the Council meeting on the 28th January; Members approved the establishment of a Council owned company subject to the business case being presented to Cabinet in March 2021. The Business Case has been presented in line with HM Treasury Green Book Five Case Business Model.

## 8 DRAFT BUDGET 2021/2022 (Pages 40 - 53)

This report provides a summary of the revenue and capital budget proposals for 2021/2022 approved by Cabinet and recommended to Council. The report also includes the statutory statement of the Head of Corporate Services (Section 151 Officer) to Council on the robustness of the estimates and adequacy of reserves. This proposed budget references numbers included in the final Finance settlement for 2021/2022 which was published on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

It is important to note that the Government's multi-year Spending Review, due in

2019 was once again replaced by a short-term Spending Round. What this means is that, in substance, any budget to be proposed will only be for one-year only. No figures have been made available for local government funding beyond 2021/22, either nationally or locally. This report therefore cannot give any realistic projection for 2022/2023, however indicative budget requirements have been entered.

#### **9 2021-22 BUDGET MONITORING - TO END OF DECEMBER** (Pages 54 - 74)

To advise the Committee of the position on revenue and capital expenditure at the end of December 2020. Cabinet will consider this report at its meeting on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March.

The forecast overspend on controllable budgets is £612k for 2020/21 before accounting adjustments; any deficit required will be transferred from Reserves at the end of the year after all year end adjustments have taken place. Accounting adjustments can significantly affect the year end position as it is only then that we can fully account for key areas of spend such as Housing Benefits and Business Rates payments to cover policy decisions made by Central Government during the year.

## 10 NOMINATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANNING IMPROVEMENT ACTION PLAN MONITORING

To confirm nominations to join a cross party working group to monitor the action plan for the Planning Performance Peer Review.

## 11 CABINET WORK PROGRAMME

The Cabinet Work Programme is attached for information.

## 12 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

The Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme is attached for consideration and amendment.

## Date of Despatch: Monday, 8 February 2021