



## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Cabinet</b>
<b>Date and Time:</b>	<b>Thursday 2 February 2023 7.00 pm</b>
<b>Place:</b>	<b>Council Chamber</b>
<b>Enquiries to:</b>	<b>Committee Services Committeeservices@hart.gov.uk</b>
<b>Members:</b>	<b>Neighbour (Leader), Radley (Deputy Leader), Bailey, Clarke, Cockarill, Collins, Oliver and Quarterman</b>

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## **AGENDA**

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- **The Chairman will announce that this meeting will be recorded and that anyone remaining at the meeting had provided their consent to any such recording.**

## 1 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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The minutes of the meeting held on 5 January 2023 are attached for confirmation and signature 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 disposable pecuniary, and any other interests\*.

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## 4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 5 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 [online](#).

## 6 BUDGET REPORT 2023/24

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To consider the draft 2023/24 Revenue Budget, Capital programme, and Council Tax Proposal prior to and make a recommendation to Council

### RECOMMENDATION

That Cabinet recommend to Council to:

- i. agree a 2.99% increase in Hart District Council's Band D Council Tax Charge for 2023/24,
- ii. agree not to change the Council's existing Council Tax Support Scheme other than the required statutory uprating,
- iii. agree to make changes to fees and charges for 2023/24 in line with the principles set out in this report, with full details being reported to full Council,
- iv. approve the draft Revenue Budget for 2023/24 as summarised in paragraph 10.1 and Appendix 3, incorporating the baseline net service cost variations included at Appendix 4,
- v. approve the new Capital Bids as detailed in Appendix 1,

- vi. request the S151 Officer to undertake a comprehensive review of reserves, provisions and SANG funds, as detailed in section 7 of this report, in Spring 2023 when the 2022/23 outturn is known and a more accurate assessment of economic conditions and business rate provisions can be made,
- vii. approve the Medium-Term Financial Strategy as set out in Appendix 2,
- viii. note the emerging pressures and risks set out in the report and the S151 Officer's intention to undertake a mid-year review of detailed budgets, and
- ix. approve the capital receipt flexibility strategy detailed in the report under the Direction issued by the Government early in 2022.

**7 DRAFT TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT 34 - 70**

To consider the draft Treasury Management Strategy and Annual Investment Strategy 2023/24 which incorporates the Annual Investment Strategy and Prudential and Treasury Indicators

**RECOMMENDATION**

Cabinet to recommend that Council:

- I. approve the Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2023/24 and the revised Minimum Revenue Provision policy contained within it,
- II. approve the Annual Investment Strategy for 2023/24 noting the changes to the counterparty financial limits and ESG criteria and approach, and;
- III. approve and draft Capital Strategy 2023/24.

**8 REVIEW OF FINANCE REGS AND CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS 71 - 99**

To review draft updates of Financial Regulations and Contracts Standing Orders

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. To consider the proposed updates to the Council's Financial Regulations, as set out in Appendix 1, and the Council's Contract Standing Orders, as set out in Appendix 2 ahead of Council adoption in February

**9 CORPORATE PLAN 100 - 116**

The purpose of this report is for Cabinet to consider the comments received to the draft Corporate Plan and to make a recommendation

for debate at February's Full Council.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the adjusted version of the Corporate Plan 2023-2027 attached at Appendix 1 be recommended to Council for adoption.

### **Corporate Plan V2**

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| <b>10</b> | <b>CORONATION CELEBRATION COMMUNITY GRANT</b>   | 117 -<br>123 |
|           | <p>To seek Cabinet approval for the use of a Councillor Community Grant ward-based approach to funding local community projects to celebrate King Charles' Coronation in May. The approach recommended is identical to that agreed by Cabinet in 2021 for the Platinum Jubilee.</p> |              |
|           | <b>OFFICER RECOMMENDATION</b>   |              |
|           | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. A Councillor Community Grant ward-based approach to funding local community projects to celebrate King Charles' Coronation be agreed in accordance with the principles as set out in Appendix 1.</li></ol>                                 |              |
| <b>11</b> | <b>CABINET WORK PROGRAMME</b>   | 124 -<br>128 |
|           | <p>To consider and amend the Cabinet Work Programme.</p>  |              |

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