

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: Thursday 23 January 2014 Time: 6.00 p.m.

Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Stevenage SG1 1HN

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Members: Councillors J Thomas (Chair), J Brown, M Cherney-Craw, G Clark, M Hearn, J Hollywell, R Parker CC, S Speller, P Stuart,

H Tessier, S Walker and B Underwood.

AGENDA

<u>PART I</u>

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 2. MINUTES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 11 DECEMBER 2013

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on Wednesday 11 December 2013.

Minutes attached

3. 2014/2015 DRAFT FORWARD CAPITAL FORWARD PLAN AND 5 YEAR CAPITAL STRATEGY UPDATE.

In accordance with the provisions of the Budget and Policy Framework rules of the Council's Constitution and prior to the submission of the Capital Budget to Executive and Council in February, the Committee is requested to consider a report that provides an update on the Council's 5 Year Capital Strategy including the Forward Plan bids approved at the November Executive and on the resources available to fund the Capital Strategy.

Report & Appendices included with the Executive agenda issued for the meeting held on 21 January 2014. Please bring these papers to the meeting.

4. DRAFT 2014/2015 COUNCIL TAX SETTING AND GENERAL FUND BUDGET.

In accordance with the provisions of the Budget and Policy Framework rules of the Council's Constitution the Committee is requested to consider the draft proposals for the 2014/2015 Council Tax setting and General Fund Budget.

Report & Appendices included with the Executive agenda issued for the meeting held on 21 January 2014. Please bring these papers to the meeting.

5. PART 1 DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

To consider the Part 1 Decisions of the Executive taken on 21 January 2014. Notice of Decisions to follow.

PLEASE BRING YOUR AGENDA AND REPORTS FOR THE EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 21 JANUARY 2014.

6. REPORT ON MEMBERS EXPENSES

The Committee is requested to consider the recommendations of the scrutiny report into Member's Expenses as undertaken by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Report and Appendix attached.

7. URGENT PART 1 DECISIONS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Committee is requested to note the urgent key decision taken by the Strategic Director (Community) on 18 December 2013 in respect of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Fees and Charges and authorised by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the same day.

Copy of Decision and report to General Purposes Committee of 17 December 2013 attached.

8. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

To consider any Part I business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

9. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following motions:

1.That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items

of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1-7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by SI2006 No.88.

2.That Members consider the reasons for the following reports (if any) being in Part II and determine whether or not maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighs the public interest in disclosure

PART II

10. PART II MINUTES – OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 11 DECEMBER 2013

To approve as a correct record the Part II Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on Wednesday 11 December 2013.

Minutes Attached (Committee members only)

11. PART II DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE (IF ANY)

To consider the Part II Decisions of the Executive taken on 21 January 2014. Notice of Decisions to follow.

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12. URGENT PART II DECISIONS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

There have been no Urgent Part II Decisions authorised by the Chair.

13. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

To consider any Part II business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

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