

AYLESBURY VALE DISTRICT COUNCIL

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FINANCE AND SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Finance and Services Scrutiny Committee will be held at **6.30 pm on Tuesday 5 September 2017** in **The Olympic Room, Aylesbury Vale District Council, The Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury, HP19 8FF**, when your attendance is requested.

Membership: Councillor M Rand (Chairman); Councillors B Everitt (Vice-Chairman), J Bloom, J Chilver, S Lambert, R Newcombe, E Sims, M Smith, M Stamp, R Stuchbury and M Winn

Contact Officer for meeting arrangements: Craig Saunders; csaunders@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk;

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. TEMPORARY CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP

Any changes will be reported at the meeting.

3. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 16)

To approve as correct records the Minutes of the meetings held on 4 April 2017 and 17 May 2017, copies attached as appendices.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members to declare any interests.

5. CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY / STRATEGY (Pages 17 - 100)

To consider the attached report.

Contact Officer: Joanne Crosby (01296) 585194

6. HOUSING BENEFITS - RISK BASED VERIFICATION POLICY (Pages 101 - 112)

To consider the attached report.

Contact Officer: Debbie White (01296) 585021



7. TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2016-17 YEAR END AND 2017-18 MID YEAR REVIEW
(Pages 113 - 120)

To consider the attached report.

Contact Officer: Simon Wasteney (01296) 585164

8. BUSINESS RATES - DISCRETIONARY RELIEF SCHEME 2017 (Pages 121 - 146)

To consider the attached report.

Contact Officer: Andrew Small (01296) 585507

9. COMMERCIAL PROPERTY INVESTMENT STRATEGY (Pages 147 - 150)

To consider the attached report.

Contact Officer: Teresa Lane (01296) 585006

10. WORK PROGRAMME

To consider the future work programme. Meetings are scheduled as follows:-

3 October 2017

1. Quarterly Finance Digest

30 November 2017

1. Leisure Centres Management Contract
2. Connected Knowledge
3. Vale Commerce Business Plan
4. Draft Budget Proposals for 2018/19

10 January 2018

1. Budget scrutiny (if required)

11. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The following matter is for consideration by Members "In Committee". It will therefore be necessary to

RESOLVE –

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Paragraph indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act:-

Item No. 12 – Commercial Property Investment Strategy

The public interest in maintaining the exemptions outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information because the reports contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of organisations (including the Authority holding that information) and disclosure of commercially sensitive information would prejudice negotiations for contracts and land disposals or transactions.

12. COMMERCIAL PROPERTY INVESTMENT STRATEGY (Pages 151 - 178)

To consider the attached confidential report.

Contact Officer: Teresa Lane (01296) 585006