

# Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Finance, Performance and Resources

**Date:** Tuesday 3 May 2016

**Time:** 10.00 am (there is a pre-meet for Committee Members at 9.30am)

Venue: Mezzanine Room 2, County Hall, Aylesbury

### **AGENDA**

# 9.30 am Pre-meeting Discussion

This session is for members of the Committee only. It is to allow the members time to discuss lines of questioning, areas for discussion and what needs to be achieved during the meeting.

# 10.00 am Formal Meeting Begins

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1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/CHANGES IN 10am MEMBERSHIP

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To disclose any Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

3 MINUTES 5 - 8

To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 8 March 2016 as a correct record.





### 4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Public Questions is an opportunity for people who live, work or study in the county to put a question to a Scrutiny Committee about any issue that has an impact on their local community or the county as a whole.

Members of public, who have given prior notice, will be invited to put their question in person.

The Cabinet Member and responsible officers will then be invited to respond.

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http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/about-your-council/scrutiny/get-involved/

# 5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

10.05am

For the Chairman of the Committee to provide an update to the Committee on recent scrutiny related activity.

# 6 ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SHARED SERVICE 10.10am WITH HARROW

To provide Members with a verbal update on the progress of the Organisational Development Shared Service with Harrow.

#### Attendees:

John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources Frances Mills, Head of People and Organisational Development

# 7 CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME FOR GREEN 10.30am PARK

For Members to receive a verbal update on the development plans for Green Park.

#### Attendees:

John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources
Nick Henstock, Head of Regeneration and Property
Projects
John Huskinson, Finance Director
Joe Nethercoat, Head of Strategic Assets

#### 8 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

11.00am 9 - 12

To consider and agree the Finance, Performance and Resources Select Committee Work Programme.

#### 9 INQUIRY SCOPE

11.05am

For Committee Members to discuss and agree the scope for the next Inquiry.

# 10 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 28 June 2016 at 10am in Mezzanine Room 2, County Hall.

# 11 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve to exclude the press and public as the following item is exempt by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 because it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

# 12 AGRICULTURAL ESTATES

11.30am 13 - 24

For Members to discuss and question the results of the Agricultural Estates review which concluded at the end of 2015.

Attendees:

John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources Jo West, Estates Officer Richard Drew, Rural Partner, Carter Jonas

# Purpose of the committee

The role of the Finance, Performance and Resources Select Committee is to hold decision-makers to account for improving outcomes and services for Buckinghamshire.

It shall have the power to scrutinise all issues in relation to the Council's strategic performance, financial management and corporate issues. This will include all areas under the remit of the Council's Headquarters and Business Services Plus (Business Unit). This includes, but not exclusively, responsibility for scrutinising issues in relation to:

- The Strategic Plan and Medium Term Financial Plan
- HQ Assurance responsibilities—including scrutiny of the strategic oversight of capital
- HQ Strategy & Policy responsibilities—including the strategic commissioning of Council resources.
- HQ Enterprise—including the commissioning of services from Business Services Plus such as legal services; and ICT; and the Council's strategic approach to communications and customers.
- The overall effectiveness of the scrutiny function
- Strategic alliances and partnerships with others externally—nationally, regionally and locally.

By convention the Chairmen of the other Select Committees are invited to participate in the annual budget scrutiny inquiry, whereby the Executive's draft budget is automatically referred for scrutiny as part of the annual budget setting process.

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#### **Members**

Mr W Bendyshe-Brown Mr B Roberts (C)

Mr W Chapple OBE (VC) Mr D Shakespeare OBE

Mr S Lambert Mr A Stevens

Mr D Martin Ms R Vigor-Hedderly