

Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Finance, Performance and Resources

Date: Tuesday 13 September 2016

Time: 10.00 am

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 7 - 12

To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 June 2016



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 the 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/getting-involved/

5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

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

6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE DISCUSSION

10.10am

To welcome the new Chief Executive, Rachael Shimmin, and to discuss her initial priorities and plans, particularly in relation to the financial challenges facing the Council.

7 BUDGET SCRUTINY 2016 - SIX-MONTH UPDATE REPORT

10.40am 13 - 20

For the Committee to consider the 6-month update on implementation of agreed recommendations arising from the 2016 Budget Scrutiny Inquiry. For the Committee to discuss status of each recommendation and to delegate authority to the Chairman to complete the report accordingly after the meeting. The completed report will be attached to the Minutes of the meeting.

Attendees:

Richard Ambrose, Director of Assurance

8 Q1 PERFORMANCE REPORT

11.10am 21 - 42

For the Committee to consider the Quarter 1 Performance Report for the financial year 2016/17 which was presented to Cabinet on 11 July 2016 along with the Budget Action plans which are due to be presented to Cabinet on 12 September 2016.

Attendees:

John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources

Attachments:

Quarter 1 report with relevant appendices Budget Action plans

9 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

11.40am 43 - 44

To consider and agree the Committee's work programme for the remainder of 2016.

10 BUSINESS SERVICES PLUS BUSINESS PLAN

12 noon 45 - 50

The Committee will receive an update on the progress against the commitments set out within the Business Services Plus Business Plan which was reviewed by the Committee in March 2016.

Attendees:

John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources Gill Quinton, Managing Director, BSP Jonathon Noble, Commercial Director, BSP

Attachments:

Progress report attached

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 BUSINESS SERVICES PLUS BUSINESS PLAN

12.30pm 51 - 54

For the Committee to consider the confidential report.

Attendees:

John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources Gill Quinton, Managing Director, BSP Jonathon Noble, Commercial Director, BSP

Attachments:

Confidential report attached

13 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

1pm

The next meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 1 November at 10am in Mezz Room 2, County Hall, Aylesbury.

Future meeting

Tuesday 13 December

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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