

Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Finance, Performance and Resources

Date: Tuesday 4 July 2017

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Mezzanine Room 1, 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 MEMBERSHIP	10am	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To disclose any Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests		
3	MINUTES To agree the Minutes of the Meetings held on 14 th March 2017 and 23 rd May 2017 as a correct record.		5 - 10
4	CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME		
5	CABINET MEMBER FOR RESOURCES - QUESTION TIME An opportunity for the Committee to ask the Cabinet Member for Resources questions on his portfolio area.	10.05am	
	Contributors: Mr John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources All Members of the Committee		
6	IS THE COUNTY COUNCIL READY FOR GROWTH?	10.30am	11 - 14



Buckinghamshire will experience significant housing growth in the forthcoming decades, which will be set out in the District Council Local Plans. This will have significant impact on the future demand for County Council services.

Each of the County Council's four Select Committees will be holding themed meetings during July 2017 to investigate whether the County Council is ready for Growth. The outline scope for this piece of work was agreed by the Transport, Environment and Communities Select Committee on 21st March 2017 and the final scoping document is attached for information.

The Finance, Performance and Resources Committee will be considering the following three key areas:

Data - What baseline data do we have and what projections are being used in order to plan for Growth?

Governance - What Governance arrangements are in place at the County Council to manage planning for Growth?

Finance – How can we effectively plan for the financial implications of Growth across the County?

The Committee will receive a PowerPoint briefing and will then have the opportunity to ask questions.

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7 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 26th September 2017 at 10am in Mezzanine Room 1, County Hall, Aylesbury.

8 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve that the Press and Public be excluded 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)

9 CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

Of the meeting held on 14th March 2017 to be agreed as a

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12.30pm

correct record.

Purpose of the committee

The role of the Finance, Performance and Resources Select Committee is to hold decisionmakers 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.

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