



Buckinghamshire County Council
Select Committee
Finance, Performance and Resources

Date: Tuesday 5 November 2019

Time: 2.30 pm

Venue: Mezzanine Room 1, County Hall, Aylesbury

AGENDA

2.00 pm 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.

2.30 pm Formal Meeting Begins

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2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To disclose any Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests		
3 MINUTES To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 th September 2019.		5 - 16
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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<https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/council-and-democracy/getting-involved/how-to-get-involved/>

5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

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

6 INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

14:35

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The Committee will receive an update on the Council's new centralised Information Management function and gain an insight into how preparatory work for the new Buckinghamshire Council is progressing in this area.

Contributors:

Mr John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources

Mr Matt Everitt, Head of Insight and Business Intelligence

7 LEGAL SERVICES UPDATE

15:05

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The Committee will receive an update on recent changes to the Council's Legal Services.

Contributors:

Mr John Chilver, Cabinet Member for Resources

Mr Jamie Hollis, Head of Legal and Compliance

8 FPR SELECT COMMITTEE - A RETROSPECTIVE

15:35

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Follow**

An opportunity for members of the Committee to consider the work the Committee has undertaken since 2017 and how this has contributed to driving improvements. The Committee will also be able to highlight specific issues that the new Unitary Council might want to monitor going forwards.

Contributors:

Mr David Watson, Chairman

Mrs Kelly Sutherland, Committee & Governance Manager

9 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

This is the final meeting of the Finance, Performance and

Resources Select Committee.

Budget Scrutiny 2020 will be undertaken by the Budget Task and Finish Group comprising of members of the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Committee, chaired by John Gladwin.

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 Assistant Chief Executive's Service (ACES) and Resources Business Unit. This includes, but not exclusively, responsibility for scrutinising issues in relation to:

- The Strategic Plan and Medium Term Financial Plan
- ACES responsibilities — including Council Communications, Business Intelligence.
- Resources responsibilities - including the Council's Technology Strategy, HR, procurement and Legal services and the strategic commissioning of Council resources.
- The overall effectiveness of the scrutiny function
- Strategic alliances and partnerships with others externally—nationally, regionally and locally.

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