



# Overview and Scrutiny

## Committee

Mon 13 Dec  
2021  
6.30 pm

Council Chamber  
Redditch Town Hall

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## **GUIDANCE ON FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS**

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**Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic Redditch Borough Council will be applying social distancing arrangements for holding face-to-face meetings.**

**Please note that this is a public meeting and is open to the public to attend**

**If you have any questions regarding the agenda or attached papers, please do not hesitate to contact the officer named above.**

Please note that this is a public meeting and will be live streamed via the Council's YouTube channel. You are able to access the livestream of the meeting from the Committee Pages of the website, alongside the agenda for the meeting.

The live stream link to the meeting can be found here:

[Live Stream Link to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting - 13th December 2021 at 6.30pm](#)

### **GUIDANCE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS ATTENDING MEETINGS IN PERSON**

In advance of the Committee meeting, Members are strongly encouraged to consider taking a lateral flow test, which can be obtained from the NHS website. Should the test be positive for Covid-19 then the Member must not attend the Committee meeting, should provide their apologies to the Democratic Services team and should self-isolate in accordance with national rules.

Members and officers must wear face masks during the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting, unless exempt. Face masks should only be removed temporarily if the Councillor or officer is speaking or if s/he requires a sip of water and should be reapplied as soon as possible. As Councillors may remove their masks from time to time during the meeting, seating will be placed two metres apart, in line with social distancing measures to protect meeting participants.

Hand sanitiser will be provided for Members to use throughout the meeting.

The meeting venue will be fully ventilated and Members and officers may need to consider wearing appropriate clothing in order to remain comfortable during proceedings.

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING**

The usual process for public speaking at Committee meetings will continue to be followed subject to some adjustments which allow written statements to be read out on behalf of residents and the virtual participation of residents at meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Members of the public are encouraged to log in virtually, either to speak or observe meetings wherever possible. Further information regarding Public Speaking arrangements at this meeting can be found at item 3 of this agenda.

Members of the public also will be able to access the meeting in person if they wish to do so. However, due to social distancing requirements to ensure the safety of participants during the Covid-19 pandemic, there will be limited capacity and members of the public will be allowed access on a first come, first served basis. Members of the public in attendance are strongly encouraged to wear face masks, to use the hand sanitiser that will be provided and will be required to sit in a socially distance manner at the meetings. It should be noted that members of the public who choose to attend in person do so at their own risk.

In line with Government guidelines, any member of the public who has received a positive result in a Covid-19 test on the day of a meeting must not attend in person and must self-isolate in accordance with the national rules.

### **Notes:**

**Although this is a public meeting, there are circumstances when Council might have to move into closed session to consider exempt or confidential information. For agenda items that are exempt, the public are excluded and for any such items the live stream will be suspended and that part of the meeting will not be recorded.**

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## Agenda

### Membership:

Cllrs:

Debbie Chance  
(Chair)  
Jennifer Wheeler  
(Vice-Chair)  
Salman Akbar  
Karen Ashley  
Michael Chalk

Brandon Clayton  
Alex Fogg  
Julian Grubb  
Lucy Harrison

### 1. Apologies and named substitutes

### 2. Declarations of interest and of Party Whip

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and / or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests, and any Party Whip.

### 3. Public Speaking (Pages 1 - 2)

To invite members of the public who have registered in advance of the meeting to speak to the Committee.

The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny has extended public speaking arrangements especially for this meeting, making a doubled 30 minutes available for registered speakers to have up to three minutes each, including on Microsoft Teams, and with the ability to 'pool' minutes together for nominated spokespeople. Registered speakers can also submit statements of up to three minutes' length in writing, to be read out by an officer at the meeting.

Please note there will be no dialogue between the Councillors and the public as part of the Public Speaking arrangements.

If you wish to clarify any further points prior to the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact the Democratic Services Team on [democratic@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk](mailto:democratic@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk)

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## **4.** New Cemetery Provision - Pre-Scrutiny

This report will follow in an Additional Papers pack once the report has been published for consideration of the Executive Committee.

## **5.** Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme (Pages 3 - 4)

## **6.** To consider any urgent business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Democratic and Property Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting