



Executive Committee

Tue 9 Jan
2024
6.30 pm

Council Chamber,
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Committee Room 2 Town Hall

Agenda

Membership:

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| Cllrs: | Matthew Dormer (Chair) | Luke Court |
| | Gemma Monaco (Vice-Chair) | Lucy Harrison |
| | Joe Baker | Bill Hartnett |
| | Joanne Beecham | Craig Warhurst |
| | Brandon Clayton | |

1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interest

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.

3. Leader's Announcements

4. Minutes (Pages 7 - 22)

5. Redditch Play Audit and Investment Strategy (Pages 23 - 30)

Due to the length of the report, only the covering report has been included in the main agenda for this meeting of the Executive Committee. The full report, including appendices, will be published in a supplementary pack for the meeting.

This report is due to be considered at a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee scheduled to take place on 4th January 2024. Any recommendations arising from this meeting will be published in a separate supplementary pack prior to the meeting.

6. Planning Enforcement Policy (Pages 31 - 48)

7. Council Tax Base and Business Rates Yield 2024/25 (Pages 49 - 52)

This item is due to be pre-scrutinised at a meeting of the Budget Scrutiny Working Group scheduled to take place on 2nd January 2024. Any recommendations in respect of this report, subject to the endorsement of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, will be reported to the Executive Committee in a supplementary pack for this meeting.

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8. Council Tax - Discretionary Council Tax Reduction Policy - Council Section 13A(C) Policy (Pages 53 - 64)

This item is due to be pre-scrutinised at a meeting of the Budget Scrutiny Working Group scheduled to take place on 2nd January 2024. Any recommendations in respect of this report, subject to the endorsement of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, will be reported to the Executive Committee in a supplementary pack for this meeting.

9. Council Tax - Empty Homes Discounts and Premiums (Pages 65 - 74)

This item is due to be pre-scrutinised at a meeting of the Budget Scrutiny Working Group scheduled to take place on 2nd January 2024. Any recommendations in respect of this report, subject to the endorsement of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, will be reported to the Executive Committee in a supplementary pack for this meeting.

10. Final Council Tax Support Scheme 2024/25 (Pages 75 - 82)

This item is due to be pre-scrutinised at a meeting of the Budget Scrutiny Working Group scheduled to take place on 2nd January 2024. Any recommendations in respect of this report, subject to the endorsement of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, will be reported to the Executive Committee in a supplementary pack for this meeting.

11. HRA Rent Setting 2024/25 (Pages 83 - 86)

This item is due to be pre-scrutinised at a meeting of the Budget Scrutiny Working Group scheduled to take place on 2nd January 2024. Any recommendations in respect of this report, subject to the endorsement of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, will be reported to the Executive Committee in a supplementary pack for this meeting.

12. Recommendation from the Licensing Committee (Pages 87 - 92)

13. Medium Term Financial Plan 2024-25 to 2026-27 Tranche 1 (following consultation) (Pages 93 - 112)

This item is due to be pre-scrutinised at a meeting of the Budget Scrutiny Working Group scheduled to take place on 2nd January 2024. Any recommendations in respect of this report, subject to the endorsement of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, will be reported to the Executive Committee in a supplementary pack for this meeting.

Due to the length of this report and to the fact that much of the content of this report was previously considered at the meeting of the Executive Committee held on 31st October 2023, only the covering report has been included in the main agenda for this meeting of the Executive Committee. The full report, including both the covering report and the appendices, will be published in a supplementary pack for the meeting.

14. Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Pages 113 - 124)

The minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 30th November 2023 have been attached. The Executive Committee is asked to note that there are no outstanding recommendations arising from this meeting requiring consideration.

15. Minutes / Referrals - Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Executive Panels etc.

To receive and consider any outstanding minutes or referrals from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Executive Panels etc. since the last meeting of the Executive Committee, other than as detailed in the items above.

16. 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

17. Exclusion of the press and public

Should it be necessary, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, during the course of the meeting to consider excluding the public from the meeting on the grounds that exempt information is likely to be divulged, it may be necessary to move the following resolution:

“That, under S.100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following matter(s) on the grounds that it/they involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs (to be specified) of Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) of the said Act”.

These paragraphs are as follows:

Subject to the “public interest” test, information relating to:

- Para 1 – any individual;
- Para 2 – the identity of any individual;
- Para 3 – financial or business affairs;
- Para 4 – labour relations matters;
- Para 5 – legal professional privilege;
- Para 6 – a notice, order or direction;
- Para 7 – the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime;
and may need to be considered as ‘exempt’.

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18. Land at Upper Norgrove (Pages 125 - 148)

19. Planning and Environmental Enforcement Business Case (Pages 149 - 182)

20. Appointment of Design Team and Project Managers - Towns Fund Schemes
(Pages 183 - 198)