



WELWYN HATFIELD

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Please ask for:
Suzanne Hulks

***PLEASE NOTE DATE**

11 January 2017

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE to be held on **Thursday**, 19th January, 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE

Yours faithfully

Executive Director
Public Protection, Planning and Governance

AGENDA PART 1

1. SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBERS:

To note any substitution of Members made in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 19-22.

2. APOLOGIES:

To note any apologies.

3. MINUTES:

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 8 November 2016 (previously circulated).

4. ACTIONS UPDATE: (Pages 5 - 6)

Report of the Director (Governance) on the status of actions agreed at the last meeting of this Committee/Board/Panel.

5. NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 16:

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS:

To note declarations of Members' disclosable pecuniary interests, non-disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests in respect of items on the Agenda.

7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PETITIONS:

Up to fifteen minutes will be made available for questions from members of the public on issues relating to the work of the Committee and to receive any petitions.

8. 2017/18 BUDGET REPORTS: (Pages 7 - 8)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment & Cultural Services) introducing the budget proposals for 2017/18 as considered by the Cabinet on 10 January 2017:

(a) Medium Term Financial Strategy 2017/18 to 2019/20 (Pages 9 - 50)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) setting out the financial strategy for 2017/18 to 2019/20 providing a framework for the Council to plan and manage its resources.

(b) Housing Revenue Account Budget 2017/18 (Pages 51 - 64)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on the Housing Revenue Account budget for 2017/18 together with the proposed rent decrease in line with proposed Government legislation.

(c) General Fund budget 2017/18 (Pages 65 - 192)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) presenting a first view of the General Fund revenue budget for 2017/18.

(d) Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2021/22 (Pages 193 - 224)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) providing details of capital expenditure and funding for the period 2017/18 to 2021/22.

(e) Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18 (Pages 225 - 246)

Report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) presenting the proposed Treasury Management Strategy for 2017/18.

9. EMPLOYEE TURNOVER 1 NOVEMBER 2015 - 31 OCTOBER 2016 (Pages 247 - 252)

Report of Executive Director (Public Protection, Planning & Governance) to provide the Committee with an analysis of employee turnover for the twelve month period ending 31st October 2016.

10. COMMITTEE OVERVIEW WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17: (Pages 253 - 254)

The pro-forma which sets out the Committee's overview work programme has been updated since the last meeting to enable forward planning of items to be considered to take place. Items which the Committee agrees it would like to consider will be scheduled into the work programme.

11. RESPONSE FROM CABINET/COUNCIL TO OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

There are no responses to report to this meeting.

SECTION B – SCRUTINY ITEMS – EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ARE EXCLUDED FROM THIS PART OF THE MEETING

12. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR SCRUTINY:

To consider

1. Whether any Cabinet decisions should be scrutinised post-implementation (Paragraph 14.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules)
2. Whether any items which relate to areas covered by the Committee which a member of the Committee may wish to raise with a view to deciding whether an issue should be scrutinised.

The Administration and Opposition Groups each have the right within the Municipal Year to have one scrutiny topic referred to a Sub-Committee.

Where the Committee decides an issue should be scrutinised, a scrutiny Sub-Committee should be appointed to carry out the specific piece of scrutiny work (Paragraph 6.3 of the Procedure for the Operation of the Overview and Scrutiny Function).

13. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR REVIEW GROUPS:

To consider any issues for review relating to areas covered by the Committee. Where the Committee decides an issue should be reviewed by a Review Group

(ratio 3:2 with an Administration Chairman), this should be appointed to review the specific item.

14. RESPONSE FROM CABINET/COUNCIL TO SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS/REPORTS:

There are no responses to report to this meeting.

15. COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION:

To receive any request from a Councillor for a discussion on behalf of residents on an issue affecting a single council ward where local problems have arisen and other methods of resolution have been exhausted.

16. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, IS OF SUFFICIENT URGENCY TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION:

17. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC:

The Board/Committee is asked to resolve:

That under Section 100(A)(2) and (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be now excluded from the meeting for Item 18 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of confidential or exempt information as defined in Section 100(A)(3) and Paragraph 3 (private financial or business information) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act (as amended).

In resolving to exclude the public in respect of the exempt information, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

PART II - PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF A CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT NATURE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN:

<u>Circulation:</u>	Councillors	S Markiewicz (Chairman)	H Bower
		M Levitt (Vice-Chairman)	G Michaelides
		T Bailey	L Brandon
		M Birleson	N Pace
		J Boulton	S Roberts

Councillor D Bell (Executive Member for Resources)

Executive Board
Press and Public (except Part II Items)

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