



Leicester  
City Council

## **MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE**

**DATE: WEDNESDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2020**

**TIME: 5:30 pm**

**PLACE: Meeting Room G.01 - City Hall, 115 Charles Street, Leicester,  
LE1 1FZ**

### **Members of the Committee**

Councillor Cassidy (Chair)

Councillor Joel (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Dawood, Halford, Joshi, Khote, Kitterick, Porter, Waddington and Westley

### **Youth Council Representatives**

To be advised

Members of the Committee are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

*Elaine Baker*

For Monitoring Officer

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### **AGENDA**

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#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

#### **3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Appendix A**

The minutes of the meeting of the Overview Select Committee held on 28 November 2019 are attached and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

#### **4. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS AGREED AT THE LAST MEETING**

To note progress on actions agreed at the previous meeting and not reported elsewhere on the agenda (if any).

#### **5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **6. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE**

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any questions,

representations and statements of case submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

## 7. PETITIONS

The Monitoring Officer to report on any petitions received.

## 8. TRACKING OF PETITIONS - MONITORING REPORT **Appendix B**

The Monitoring Officer submits a report that updates Members on the monitoring of outstanding petitions. The Committee is asked to note the current outstanding petitions and agree to remove those petitions marked 'Petitions Process Complete' from the report.

## 9. QUESTIONS FOR THE CITY MAYOR

The City Mayor will answer questions raised by members of the Overview Select Committee on issues not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

## 10. LEICESTER'S CLIMATE EMERGENCY CONVERSATION **Appendix C**

The Director of Estates and Building Services submits a report informing Members of draft proposals for the city's response to the climate emergency, as well as the associated programme of community consultation and engagement entitled "Leicester's Climate Emergency Conversation". (Attached at **Appendices C and C1**)

This report has been considered by the following Scrutiny Commissions and minute extracts are attached:

- Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission – 4 December 2019 (**Appendix C2**)
- Housing Scrutiny Commission – 13 January 2020 (**Appendix C3**)

This Committee is recommended to consider the report and the comments made by the Scrutiny Commissions, and to:

- a) note the progress made since the climate emergency declaration, including the consultation and engagement programme recently completed;
- b) note the involvement of the Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission and the Housing Scrutiny Commission;
- c) comment on the proposals in Appendix 1, including their implications for the city and for the council; and
- d) note the next steps for the development and adoption of a Council action plan to address the climate emergency.

**11. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET  
(INCLUDING CAPITAL PROGRAMME) 2020/21**

**Appendix D**

The Director of Housing submits a report setting out the proposed Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget for 2020/21, with indicative budgets for the following two years.

The Committee is recommended to:

- a) Note the financial pressures on the HRA and comment on the proposals for delivering a balanced budget;
- b) Note the comments from the Tenants' and Leaseholders' Forum and the Housing Scrutiny Commission; and
- c) Comment on the proposed changes to rent and service charges for 2020/21.

**12. DRAFT GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 TO 2021/22**

**Appendix E**

The Director of Finance submits the draft General Fund Revenue Budget 2020/21 to 2021/22, which will be considered at the meeting of Council on 19 February 2020, (attached at **Appendix E**).

The following draft minute extracts, detailing the respective Scrutiny Commissions' discussions on the draft General Fund Revenue Budget report, will be circulated as soon as they are available:

- Neighbourhood Services Scrutiny Commission – 15 January 2020 (**Appendix E1**)
- Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Sport Scrutiny Commission – 21 January 2020 (**Appendix E2**)
- Children, Young People and Schools Scrutiny Commission – 28 January 2020 (**Appendix E3**)
- Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Commission – 30 January 2020 (**Appendix E4**)
- Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission – 4 February 2020 (**Appendix E5**)
- Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission – 5 February 2020 (**Appendix E6**)

This Committee is recommended to consider the draft budget and the comments made by the Scrutiny Commissions, and to pass its comments on these to the meeting of Council on 19 February for consideration.

**13. DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21**

**Appendix F**

The Director of Finance submits the draft Capital Programme 2020/21, which

will be considered at the meeting of Council on 19 February 2020. The Committee is recommended to consider the draft Capital Programme and pass its comments on it to the meeting of Council on 19 February for consideration.

**14. TREASURY POLICY**

**Appendix G**

The Director of Finance submits a report proposing a framework for the governance of the Council's borrowing and investments. The Committee is recommended to note the report and make any comments to the Director of Finance as wished, prior to Council consideration.

**15. TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2020-21**

**Appendix H**

The Director of Finance submits a report proposing a strategy for managing the Council's borrowing and cash balances during 2020/21 and for the remainder of 2019/20. The Committee is recommended to note the report and make any comments to the Director of Finance as wished, prior to Council consideration.

**16. INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2020/21**

**Appendix I**

The Director of Finance submits a report defining the Council's approach to making and holding investments, other than those made for normal treasury management purposes. The Committee is recommended to note the report and make any comments to the Director of Finance as wished, prior to Council consideration.

**17. OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

**Appendix J**

The current work programme for the Committee is attached. The Committee is asked to consider this and make comments and/or amendments as it considers necessary.

**18. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**