

MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE

DATE: THURSDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 2024

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: Meeting Rooms G.01 and G.02, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ

Members of the Committee

Councillor Cassidy (Chair) Councillor Surti (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bajaj, Dave, Dawood, Joel, Porter and Waddington

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.

For Monitoring Officer

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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. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING Pages 1-17

The minutes of the meetings of the Overview Select Committee held on 14 December 2023, and 11 January 2024 are attached and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

5. 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).

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 Pages 19-23

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.DRAFT REVENUE BUDGET 2024/25Pages 25-61

The Director of Finance submits the Draft Revenue Budget 2024/25 which will be considered by Council on 21 February 2024.

The draft minute extracts detailing the respective Scrutiny Commissions' discussion on the Draft Revenue Budget report are attached

Adult Social Care – 25 January 2024 Children, Young People, and Education – 16 January 2024

The Overview Select 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 for consideration.

11. DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRRAMME 2024/25

Pages 63-95

The Director of Finance submits the Draft Capital Programme 2024/25 which will be considered by Council on 21 February 2024.

The draft minute extracts detailing the respective Scrutiny Commissions' discussion on the Draft Revenue Budget report are attached

Adult Social Care – 25 January 2024 (Attached to previous report) Children, Young People, and Education – 16 January 2024

The Overview Select Committee is recommended to consider the report and the comments made by the Scrutiny Commissions, and to pass its comments on these to the meeting of Council for consideration.

12. DRAFT HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (INCLUDING Pages 97-170 CAPITAL PROGRAMME) 2024/25

The Director of Housing submits a report setting out the proposed Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget (including Capital Programme) for 2024/25, which will be considered by Council on 21 February 2024. An extract from the meeting of the Housing Scrutiny Commission on 19 January 2024 is attached.

The Overview Select Committee is recommended to make any comments on the report.

13. TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2024/25Pages 171-195

The Director of Finance submits a report which proposes a strategy for managing the Council's borrowing and cash balances during 2024/25 and for the remainder of 2023/24. (This is the Treasury Management Strategy).

Members of the Overview Select Committee are recommended to note the report and make comments to the Director of Finance that they wish, prior to Council consideration.

14. INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2024/25

Pages 197-208

Pages 209-217

The Director of Finance submits a report which defines the Council's approach to making and holding investments, other than those made for normal treasure management purposes. The latter are described in the annual treasury management strategy. Members of the Overview Select Committee are recommended to note the report and make any comments to the Director of Finance as wished, prior to Council consideration.

15. TREASURY POLICY 2024/25

The Director of Finance submits a report which gives a framework for the governance of the Council's borrowing and investments, and it updates the framework previously approved by Council.

The Overview Select Committee is recommended to note the report and make comments to the Director of Finance and the Executive as they wish.

16. OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

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.

17. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

Pages 219-224