

MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE

DATE: THURSDAY, 11 JANUARY 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.

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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. CALL-IN OF EXECUTIVE DECISION: CONNECTING Item 4, Page 1-18 LEICESTER - DEMOLITION OF 14-16 MARKET PLACE, CREATION OF NEW LINK AND DEVELOPMENT SITE

The Monitoring Officer submits a report informing the Committee that the Executive Decision taken by the City Mayor on 7 December 2023 relating to the creation of a new link and development site at Market Place North has been the subject of a six-member call-in under the procedures at Rule 12 of Part 4D, City Mayor and Executive Procedure Rules, of the Council's Constitution.

The Committee is recommended to either

a) Note the report without further comment or recommendation. (If the report is noted the process continues and the call in will be considered at a future meeting of Full Council); or

b) Comment on the specific issues raised by the call-in. (If comments are made the process continues and the comments and call in will be considered at a future meeting of Full Council); or

c) Resolve that the call-in be withdrawn (If the committee wish for there to be no further action on the call-in, then they must actively withdraw it. If withdrawal is agreed the call-in process stops, the call-in will not be considered at a future meeting of Full Council and the original decision takes immediate affect without amendment).

5. CALL-IN OF EXECUTIVE DECISION - CONNECTING Item 5, Page 19-27 LEICESTER - ST MARTINS PHASE 2 IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

The Monitoring Officer submits a report informing the Committee that the Executive Decision taken by the City Mayor on 21 December 2023 relating to the release of £1.6m from the policy provision in Highways & Infrastructure to the Connecting Leicester capital programme for the delivery of the final phase of the St Martins street improvement scheme has been the subject of a five member call-in under the procedures at Rule 12 of Part 4D, City Mayor and Executive Procedure Rules, of the Council's Constitution.

The Committee is recommended to either

a) Note the report without further comment or recommendation. (If the report is noted the process continues and the call in will be considered at a future meeting of Full Council); or

b) Comment on the specific issues raised by the call-in. (If comments are made the process continues and the comments and call in will be considered at a future meeting of Full Council); or

c) Resolve that the call-in be withdrawn (If the committee wish for there to be no further action on the call-in, then they must actively withdraw it. If withdrawal is agreed the call-in process stops, the call-in will not be considered at a future meeting of Full Council and the original decision takes immediate affect without amendment).

6. EXCEPTIONAL HOMELESSNESS PRESSURES ON Item 6, Page 29-49 HOUSING

The Director of Housing submits a report to set out the business case to increase the number of council-owned properties by 225 to aid tackling temporary accommodation budget pressures in the Council's General fund, and to lease 125 permanent homes, and highlight operational changes to the current enhanced Rough Sleeper offer, ensuring people continue to get help and support to get off the street.

The Committee is recommended to comment on the proposals in the report

before it is considered at the meeting of Council.

7. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS