

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

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2025

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 Joel (Chair)

Councillors Batool, Dave, Kitterick, March, O'Neill, Osman, Pickering, Porter, Rae Bhatia, Waddington and Zaman

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. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To issue a welcome to those present, and to confirm if there are any 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 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 have been circulated, and Members will be asked to confirm them as a correct record.

#### 4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair is invited to make any announcements as they see fit.

# 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, REPRESENTATION 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. SCRUTINY REVIEW - A REVIEW OF THE CHANGES Appendix C TO THE COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME

The Chair submits a report examining changes to the Council Tax Support Scheme. The Committee will be asked to note the report and support the recommendations set out in paragraph 1.2.

## 11. SCRUTINY REVIEW - A REVIEW OF SUPPORT FOR Appendix D ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS

The Chair submits a report examining support for Adventure Playgrounds. The Committee will be asked to note the report and support the recommendations set out in paragraph 1.2.

### 12. UPDATE ON ASSET SALES

Appendix E

The Strategic Director City Development & Neighbourhood Services will give a presentation updating the Committee on asset sales.

### 13. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF CONSTRUCTION Appendix F

The Director of Estates and Building Services will give a presentation outlining the environmental impacts of construction projects and the standards achieved by recent council projects.

# 14. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING APRIL-JUNE Appendix G 2025/26

The Director of Finance submits a report providing an early forecast for the 2025/26 financial year.

# 15. CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING APRIL-JUNE Appendix H 2025/26

The Director of Finance submits a report presenting the position of the capital programme for 2025/26 as at the end of June 2025.

# 16. OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE WORK Appendix I 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