



Haverling

LONDON BOROUGH

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD AGENDA

7.30 pm

**Wednesday
2 December 2020**

**Haverling Town Hall,
Main Road, Romford**

Members 16: Quorum 6

COUNCILLORS:

Conservative Group (8)

Ray Best
Philippa Crowder
Judith Holt
Sally Miller
Nisha Patel
Christine Smith
Maggie Themistocli
Michael White (Vice-Chair)

Residents' Group (2)

Ray Morgon
Barry Mugglestone

Upminster & Cranham Residents' Group (2)

Linda Hawthorn
Christopher Wilkins

Independent Residents' Group (2)

Natasha Summers
Graham Williamson

Labour Group (1)

Keith Darvill

North Haverling Residents Group (1)

Darren Wise (Chairman)

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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

Under the Localism Act 2011 (s. 9F) each local authority is required by law to establish an overview and scrutiny function to support and scrutinise the Council's executive arrangements.

The Overview and Scrutiny Board acts as a vehicle by which the effectiveness of scrutiny is monitored and where work undertaken by themed sub-committees can be coordinated to avoid duplication and to ensure that areas of priority are being reviewed. The Board also scrutinises general management matters relating to the Council and further details are given in the terms of reference below. The Overview and Scrutiny Board has oversight of performance information submitted to the Council's executive and also leads on scrutiny of the Council budget and associated information. All requisitions or 'call-ins' of executive decisions are dealt with by the Board.

The Board is politically balanced and includes among its membership the Chairmen of the six themed Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committees.

Terms of Reference:

The areas scrutinised by the Board are:

- Strategy and commissioning
- Partnerships with Business
- Customer access
- E-government and ICT
- Finance (although each committee is responsible for budget processes that affect its area of oversight)
- Human resources
- Asset Management
- Property resources
- Facilities Management
- Communications
- Democratic Services
- Social inclusion
- Councillor Call for Action

DECLARING INTERESTS FLOWCHART – QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF



AGENDA ITEMS

1 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

(if any) - receive.

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Members are invited to disclose any interest in any of the items on the agenda at this point of the meeting.

Members may still disclose any interest in an item at any time prior to the consideration of the matter.

4 MINUTES (Pages 1 - 8)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 13 October 2020 (attached) and to authorise the Chairman to sign them.

5 PROTOCOL ON THE OPERATION OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD MEETINGS DURING THE PANDEMIC (Pages 9 - 12)

Attached for noting.

6 TOPIC GROUP UPDATES (Pages 13 - 16)

Report attached.

7 REVIEW OF THE FORWARD PLAN OF FORTHCOMING KEY DECISIONS (Pages 17 - 30)

Report attached.

8 WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 31 - 36)

Report attached.

9 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board is scheduled for Wednesday 3 February 2021 at 7.30 pm.

Andrew Beesley
Head of Democratic Services