

# OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD EXTRAORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

7.30 pm

Tuesday 24 November 2020

**Virtual Meeting** 

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 Havering 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 What matters are being discussed? D Does the business relate to or is it likely to affect a disclosable pecuniary interest. These will include the Р interests of a spouse or civil partner (and co-habitees): • any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation that they carry on for profit or gain; · any sponsorship that they receive including contributions to their expenses as a councillor; or the councillor's election expenses from a Trade Union; any land licence or tenancy they have in Havering any current contracts leases or tenancies between the Council and them: • any current contracts leases or tenancies between the Council and any organisation with land in Havering in they are a partner, a paid Director, or have a relevant interest in its shares and securities; any organisation which has land or a place of business in Havering and in which they have a relevant interest in its shares or its securities. Declare Interest and Leave YES Might a decision in relation to that business be reasonably be regarded as affecting (to a greater extent than Е the majority of other Council Tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of ward affected by the decision) R Your well-being or financial position; or s The well-being or financial position of: 0 o A member of your family or any person with whom you have a close association; or N · Any person or body who employs or has appointed such persons, any firm in which they are Α a partner, or any company of which they are directors; L - Any person or body in whom such persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000; N o Any body of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management and to which you are appointed or nominated by your Authority; or т Е o Any body exercising functions of a public nature, directed to charitable purposes or whose R principal includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a Ε member or in a position of general control or management? s Ε You must disclose the existence and nature of your personal interests Ε C U Would a member of the public, with You can participate in the N knowledge of the relevant facts meeting and vote (or reasonably regard your personal remain in the room if not a interest to be so significant that it is NO member of the meeting) Α likely to prejudice your R E s Does the matter affect your financial position or the financial position of any person or body through whom you have a personal interest? N Does the matter relate to an approval, consent, licence, permission or registration that affects you or any person or body with which you have a personal interest? Т NO Does the matter not fall within one of the exempt categories of decisions? E R Ε Ε s s т Speak to Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting to avoid allegations of corruption or bias

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

## 1 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman will announce details of the meeting arrangements.

# 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 PROTOCOL ON THE OPERATION OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD MEETINGS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS (Pages 1 - 4)

Attached for noting by the Board.

**5 PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY PROTOCOL** (Pages 5 - 10)

Attached for noting by the Board.

6 PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF A CABINET REPORT: INCLUSIVE GROWTH STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (Pages 11 - 174)

Report and appendices attached.

7 UPDATE ON THE COUNCIL'S MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY AND BUDGET FOR 2021/22 (Pages 175 - 218)

Report and appendices attached.

Andrew Beesley Head of Democratic Services