

Regulatory and General Purposes Committee

Date: Wednesday, 31 January 2024

Time: 6.00 p.m.

Venue: Committee Room 1, Birkenhead Town Hall,

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AGENDA

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
- 2. APOLOGIES
- 3. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the Committee are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests, in connection with any item on the agenda and state the nature of the interest.

4. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 23 November 2023.

5. PUBLIC AND MEMBER QUESTIONS

5.1 **Public Questions**

Notice of question to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Friday 26 January 2024 to the Council's Monitoring Officer via this link: Public Question Form and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 10.

For more information on how your personal information will be used, please see this link: <u>Document Data Protection Protocol for Public Speakers at Committees | Wirral Council</u>

Please telephone the Committee Services Officer if you have not received an acknowledgement of your question by the deadline for submission.

5.2 Statements and Petitions

Notice of representations to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, , Friday 26 January 2024 to the Council's Monitoring Officer (committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 11.1.

Petitions may be presented to the Committee if provided to Democratic and Member Services no later than 10 working days before the meeting, at the discretion of the Chair. The person presenting the petition will be allowed to address the meeting briefly (not exceeding three minute) to outline the aims of the petition. The Chair will refer the matter to another appropriate body of the Council within whose terms of reference it falls without discussion, unless a relevant item appears elsewhere on the Agenda. If a petition contains more than 5,000 signatures, it will be debated at a subsequent meeting of Council for up to 15 minutes, at the discretion of the Mayor.

Please telephone the Committee Services Officer if you have not received an acknowledgement of your statement/petition by the deadline for submission.

5.3 Questions by Members

Questions by Members to dealt with in accordance with Standing Orders 12.3 to 12.8.

- 6. WIRRAL AWARD 2023 (Pages 7 10)
- 7. REVIEW OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARES (Pages 11 24)
- 8. POLLING PLACE REVIEW (Pages 25 32)

9. BOROUGH ELECTION FEES & CHARGES (Pages 33 - 42)

10. EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following items contain exempt information.

RECOMMENDATION: That, under section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the relevant paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The Public Interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

11. WIRRAL AWARD 2023 EXEMPT APPENDIX (Pages 43 - 122)

Terms of Reference

The terms of reference for this committee can be found at the end of this agenda.