

Policy and Resources Committee

Date: Wednesday, 8 November 2023

Time: 6.00 p.m.

Venue: Committee Room 1 - Birkenhead Town Hall

Please note that public seating is limited therefore members of the public are encouraged to arrive in good time.

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AGENDA

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
- 2. APOLOGIES

3. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to consider whether they have any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or any other relevant interest in connection with any item(s) on this agenda and, if so, to declare them and state the nature of the interest.

4. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 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 3 November to the Council's Monitoring Officer (via the online form here: Public Question Form) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 10.

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

For more information on how your personal information will be used, please see this link: Document Data Protection Protocol

5.2 Statements and Petitions

Notice of representations to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Friday 3 November 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.

SECTION A - KEY AND OTHER DECISIONS

6. PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2024-25 (Pages 7 - 22)

SECTION B - BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

- 7. 2023/24 BUDGET MONITORING FOR QUARTER TWO (THE PERIOD TO 30 SEP 2023) (Pages 23 38)
- 8. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REPORT 2023/24 (Pages 39 58)
- 9. 2023-24 CAPITAL MONITORING QUARTER 2 (Pages 59 88)

SECTION C - WORK PROGRAMME / OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

10. WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 89 - 96)

SECTION D - REFERRALS FROM COMMITTEES / COUNCIL

- 11. ACTIVE TRAVEL FUNDING TRANCHE 3 (Pages 97 112)
- 12. DEPARTMENT FOR LEVELLING UP, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES SIMPLIFICATION PATHFINDER PILOT INVESTMENT PLAN (Pages 113 140)

Policy & Resources Committee gave delegated authority to the Director of Regeneration and Place to submit the Pathfinder Investment Plan to the Department for Levelling Up, Communities and Housing. The decision was taken on Wednesday, 25 October 2023 and is reported back to Policy & Resources Committee for noting as requested.

13. 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 paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The Public Interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

14. DEPARTMENT FOR LEVELLING UP, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES SIMPLIFICATION PATHFINDER PILOT INVESTMENT PLAN - APPENDIX 2 (Pages 141 - 142)

Policy & Resources Committee Terms of Reference

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