



Special Meeting of the Policy and Performance Coordinating Committee

Date:	Monday, 24 June 2013
Time:	6.00 pm
Venue:	Committee Room 1 - Wallasey Town Hall

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To record any apologies for absence received.

2. CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELEVANT AUTHORITIES (DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS) REGULATIONS 2012, INCLUDING PARTY WHIP DECLARATIONS

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when the item is reached.

Members are reminded that they should also declare whether they are subject to a party whip in connection with any item(s) to be considered at this meeting and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of the whipping arrangement.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE POLICY AND PERFORMANCE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE (Pages 1 - 2)

To note the Terms of Reference of the Co-ordinating Committee as agreed at the Extraordinary meeting of the Council on 30 April 2013. (Attached as an Appendix.)

4. PROCEDURE FOR CONSIDERING A DECISION THAT HAS BEEN CALLED-IN

The Committee is invited to agree a procedure to be adopted at its meetings during the consideration of a decision that has been Called-in. (A draft procedure note will be circulated at the meeting.)

5. CALL-IN OF A DELEGATED DECISION - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION'S (LGA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION (Pages 3 - 6)

On 3 June 2013, the Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources, Councillor Adrian Jones was asked for his approval for Councillors Phil Davies, Ann McLachlan, George Davies, Jeff Green and Phil Gilchrist to attend the LGA Annual Conference and Exhibition, to be held in Manchester from 2 – 4 July 2013 at a cost of £495 per person plus travel. The Cabinet Member gave his approval and a copy of the Decision Notice is attached as an Appendix.

Councillor Jones' decision has been called in by Councillors Ian Lewis, Chris Blakeley, Lesley Rennie, Paul Hayes, Leah Fraser, Steve Williams, Simon Mountney, Andrew Hodson, Les Rowlands, John Hale and Kathy Hodson. The Call-in Notice setting out the reasons for this call-in is attached as an Appendix.

The Committee is invited to consider the decision that has been made and decide what advice (if any) it wishes to refer to the Cabinet Member.

The Committee must determine one of the following:

- To offer no advice, in which case the original decision may be implemented without delay; or
- To refer it back to the Cabinet Member for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of its concerns; or
- Refer the matter to the Council. Such a referral should only be made where the Co-ordinating Committee believes that the decision is outside the policy framework or contrary to or not wholly in accordance with the budget. The procedures set out in those rules must be followed prior to any such referral.

Note

The Committee has no power to overturn a Cabinet Member's decision, or to substitute its own decision in place of the original decision.

6. URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR (PART 1)

To consider any urgent business that the Chair accepts as being urgent.

7. EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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 item(s) 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.

8. URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR (PART 2)

To consider any urgent business that the Chair accepts as being urgent.