

Regeneration and Environment Policy and Performance Committee

Date: Monday, 22 September 2014

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: Committee Room 1 - Wallasey Town Hall

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AGENDA

**1. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT
– DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/PARTY WHIP**

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.

Members are reminded that they should also declare, pursuant to paragraph 18 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, whether they are subject to a party whip in connection with any item(s) to be considered and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of the whipping arrangement.

2. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 8)

To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 22 July 2014

3. FUTURE COUNCIL (Pages 9 - 10)

4. CAR PARKING SCRUTINY REVIEW (Pages 11 - 38)

**5. WIRRAL APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME SCRUTINY REVIEW
(Pages 39 - 58)**

**6. NOTICE OF MOTION – UNDERGROUND COAL GASIFICATION
(Pages 59 - 60)**

At the meeting of the Council held on 14 July 2014 (minute 17 refers), the attached Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Geoffrey Watt and seconded by Councillor Gerry Ellis was referred by the Mayor to this Committee for consideration.

In accordance with Standing Order 7 (6), Councillor Watt has been invited to attend the meeting in order for him to be given an opportunity to explain the Motion.

**7. NOTICE OF MOTION – PRIVATE RENTED SECTOR REFORM
(Pages 61 - 62)**

At the meeting of the Council held on 14 July 2014 (minute 17 refers), the attached Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor George Davies and seconded by Councillor Matt Daniel was referred by the Mayor to this Committee for consideration.

In accordance with Standing Order 7 (6), Councillor Davies has been invited to attend the meeting in order for him to be given an opportunity to explain the Motion.

8. INVESTING IN WIRRAL'S INFRASTRUCTURE (Pages 63 - 64)

At its meeting held on 14 July 2014 (minute 33 refers), the Council debated the Notice of Motion 'Investing in Wirral's Infrastructure', which had been proposed by Councillor Phil Gilchrist and seconded by Councillor Dave Mitchell. Consideration was also given to an amendment proposed by Councillor Stuart Whittingham and seconded by Councillor Phil Davies.

The Motion and amendment were both carried and the matter was referred to this Committee in order for it to be examined, with particular consideration to be given to the following issues and to report back to Council thereafter –

- (i). the level of investment in recent years;
- (ii). areas of strong performance within the service;
- (iii). the repairs backlog, including up to date condition survey data;
- (iv). the levels of safety intervention repairs on the highway network, and repudiation rates for claims against the Council;
- (v). proposals for the further development of the highways asset management strategy and plans, to reflect changes in industry guidance and best practice;
- (vi). the deliverability of a programme of sustained investment over several years to maintain the condition of the borough's highways in the context of severe cuts in the Council's overall budget by central government and the opportunity cost of delivering such a programme,

9. **WIRRAL CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY 2014 – 2019
(Pages 65 - 100)**
10. **LIVERPOOL CITY REGION COMBINED AUTHORITY – SCRUTINY**

Verbal Update
11. **FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT (Pages 101 - 108)**
12. **DIRECTORATE PLAN – PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT
(Pages 109 - 114)**
13. **DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS
(Pages 115 - 120)**
14. **HIGHWAYS REPRESENTATION PANEL – MINUTES**

To be circulated separately
15. **SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 121 - 126)**
16. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR
(PART 1)**
17. **EXEMPT INFORMATION
– EXCLUSION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

The public may 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.

RECOMMENDED – That in accordance with section 100A (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 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The public interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

18. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR
(PART 2)**