



## Environment, Climate Emergency and Transport Committee

**Date:** Thursday, 20 January 2022

**Time:** 6.00 p.m.

**Venue:** Floral Pavilion

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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 - 8)**

To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 15 November 2022.

**5. PUBLIC AND MEMBER QUESTIONS**

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

**5.1 Public Questions**

Notice of question to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Monday 17 January 2022 to the Council's Monitoring Officer ([committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk)) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 10.

**5.2 Statements and petitions**

Notice of representations to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Monday 17 January 2022 to the Council's Monitoring Officer ([committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk)) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 11.1.

Petitions may be presented to the Committee. The person presenting the petition will be allowed to address the meeting briefly (not exceeding one 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. Please give notice of petitions to [committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk) in advance of the meeting.

**5.3 Questions by Members**

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

**SECTION A - KEY AND OTHER DECISIONS**

**6. ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS UPDATE (Pages 9 - 32)**

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7. **WIRRAL ALLOTMENT PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY 2021-26 (Pages 33 - 112)**
8. **OPERATION EVALUATION – POLLINATOR PILOT (Pages 113 - 142)**
9. **TREE MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION UPDATE (Pages 143 - 148)**

## **SECTION B - BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT**

10. **2022/23 BUDGET UPDATE (Pages 149 - 246)**

## **SECTION C - WORK PROGRAMME / OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY**

11. **WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE (Pages 247 - 256)**

## **ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE EMERGENCY AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE Terms of Reference (Constitution section 3(b))**

### **5.1 Composition:**

Eleven (11) Members of the Council, subject to proportionality, which may be altered to accommodate the overall political balance calculation.

### **5.2 Terms of Reference**

The Environment, Climate Emergency and Transport Committee has responsibility for parks and open spaces, highways management and infrastructure, coastal protection and flood defence and environment and waste matters. It is the Committee that leads on behalf of the Council in responding to and matters concerning the Climate Emergency.

The Committee is charged by full Council to undertake responsibility for the Council's role and functions:-

- (a) in co-ordinating the response to cross-cutting sustainability issues such as reducing carbon emissions, air quality issues, climate change response, improving resource efficiency and developing sustainable energy;
- (b) in relation to all highways matters and as highway authority, street authority, bridge authority, including but not limited to public open spaces, street furniture on the highway and open spaces or parts of open spaces immediately adjacent to the highway;
- (c) in relation to traffic management and transport and as traffic authority, including but not limited to public passenger transport

and the co-ordination of transport for service users, traffic orders and rights of way issues;

- (d) in relation to parking, including on and off-street parking and civil parking enforcement;
- (e) in respect of parks, open spaces, countryside management, allotments, playgrounds and cemeteries, including arboricultural, gardening and warden services;
- (f) in relation to the management of authorised and unauthorised sites and encampments, this to include all activities necessary or incidental to the Council's performance of its responsibilities in relation to Gypsies, Roma and Travellers;
- (g) in relation to waste and as waste collection authority, litter authority, including but not limited to dealing with litter, street cleansing, abandoned vehicles and dog fouling, and the Council's relationship with Merseyside Recycling & Waste Authority (MRWA) as the joint waste disposal authority;
- (h) as coast protection authority and lead local flood authority;
- (i) in respect of emergency planning and community resilience (infrastructure and contract services);
- (j) providing a view of performance, budget monitoring and risk management in relation to the Committee's functions; and
- (k) undertaking the development and implementation of policy in relation to the Committee's functions, incorporating the assessment of outcomes, review of effectiveness and formulation of recommendations to the Council, partners and other bodies, which shall include any decision relating to the above functions.

### 5.3 Methodology

- (a) **Enquiries and Policy Development** -The Committee may undertake enquiries and investigate the available options for future direction in policy development and may appoint advisors and assessors to assist them in this process. They may go on site visits, conduct public surveys, hold public meetings, commission research and do all other things that they reasonably consider necessary to inform their deliberations.
- (b) **Overview and Scrutiny** - The Committee may scrutinise and review decisions made or actions taken by the Authority in so far as they have a direct impact on the role or functions of the committee and the Committee can make recommendations to the relevant Committee on policies, budget and service delivery. Overview and scrutiny of the Council is an important part of the Committee's remit as part of a 'doing and reviewing' approach. Upon conclusion of a scrutiny exercise the Committee will produce a report containing recommendations for decision by the Policy and Resources Committee or other Committee as may be relevant. In doing so, the Committee shall have regard to the overview and scrutiny means of working set out at Part 4(4) of this Constitution.

- (c) **Stakeholders** - The Committee may invite stakeholders to address the committee on issues of local concern and/or answer questions in so far as it impacts directly or indirectly on the role of functions of the committee