

Governance & Constitution Committee

Agenda

Date: Thursday, 25th March, 2010
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Committee Suite 1, 2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda

3. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the meeting on any matter relevant to the work of the meeting. Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers. Members of the public are not required to give notice to use this facility. However, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours' notice is encouraged.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide three clear working days' notice, in writing, in order for an informed answer to be given.

4. **Minutes of Previous meeting (Pages 1 - 4)**

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19th February 2010.

5. **Appointments to Outside Organisations** (Pages 5 - 36)

To consider a report outlining the work undertaken on appointments to outside organisations during the current Municipal Year.

6. **Independent Remuneration Panel: Mid Year Review of Members' Allowances Scheme** (Pages 37 - 66)

To consider the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel in respect of the Cheshire East Council Scheme of Members' Allowances 2009/10 following a mid-year review held on 8th January 2010.

7. **Implementation of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)** (Pages 67 - 72)

To update members on the project plan for implementing International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

8. **Update on Comprehensive Area Assessment (Use of Resources)** (Pages 73 - 80)

To consider a report summarising the findings of the area assessment and organisational assessments published by the Audit Commission in December 2009 and to provide an update on the current work being undertaken on the "Use of Resources" assessment.

9. **Update report - Annual Governance Statement and Plan for 2010/11** (Pages 81 - 88)

To update the Committee on the work being undertaken to produce the Annual Governance Statement (AGS) and to outline the audit planning process for 2010/11.

(There are no Part 2 items)