

Audit and Governance Committee Agenda

Date: Thursday 6th December 2018
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 top of each report.

It should be noted that Part 1 items of Cheshire East Council decision making meetings are audio recorded and the recordings are uploaded to the Council's website.

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 disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

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

In accordance with paragraph 2.32 of the Committee Procedural Rules and Appendix 7 to the Rules a total period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Committee on any matter relevant to the work of the body in question.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman or person presiding 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 at least three clear working days' notice in writing and should include the question with that notice. This will enable an informed answer to be given.

For requests for further information

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4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 10)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2018 as a correct record.

5. **External Audit Plan - 2018/19** (Pages 11 - 34)

To receive the External Audit Plan for the year ending 31 March 2019.

6. **Draft Treasury Management Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Statement 2019/20** (Pages 35 - 58)

To receive an update on the contents of the Council's draft Treasury Management Strategy and the Minimum Revenue Provision Statement.

7. **Annual Governance Statement and Code of Corporate Governance Review** (Pages 59 - 100)

To consider the update on the issues reported in the 2017-18 Annual Governance Statement, the process for the production of the 2018/19 Annual Governance Statement and the review of the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

8. **Mandatory Declarations of Interest** (Pages 101 - 106)

To consider whether or not any outside organisations as being organisations which, by virtue solely of being members of the same, Councillors must declare and/or register an interest in under Cheshire East Council Member Code of Conduct.

9. **Maladministration Decision Notices from Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman: June – August 2018** (Pages 107 - 110)

To receive an update on the Decision Notices issued by the Local Government Ombudsman when their investigations have found maladministration causing injustice to complainants.

10. **Committee Work Plan 2018/19** (Pages 111 - 122)

To consider the Committee's Work Plan for the remaining meetings in 2018/19.

11. **Contract Procedure Rule Waivers and Non-Adherences** (Pages 123 - 128)

To receive an update on the number and reasons for waivers and non-adherences which have been approved between 1 September and 30 September 2018.

12. Exclusion of the Press and Public

The reports relating to the remaining items on the agenda have been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the matters may be determined with the press and public excluded.

The Committee may decide that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

PART 2 - MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

13. Contract Procedure Rule Waivers and Non-Adherences

To note the approved WARNS between 1 September and 30 September 2018.