

# Corporate Policy Committee

## Agenda

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**Date:** Thursday, 21st March, 2024  
**Time:** 10.00 am  
**Venue:** Committee Suite 1, 2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,  
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

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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.

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

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

1. **Apologies for Absence**

To note any apologies for absence from Members.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other registerable interests, and non-registerable interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 14)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 February 2024.

4. **Public Speaking/Open Session**

In accordance with paragraph 2.24 of the Committee Procedure Rules and Appendix on Public Speaking, set out in the [Constitution](#), a total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to put questions to the Committee on any matter relating to this

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agenda. Each member of the public will be allowed up to two minutes to speak; the Chair will have discretion to vary this where they consider it appropriate.

Members of the public wishing to speak are required to provide notice of this at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting.

5. **Officer Boards, Peer Challenge and Decision-Making Review Update** (Pages 15 - 34)

To consider a report which sets out three of the preliminary activities required to allow the development of the future transformation programme.

6. **Cheshire East Approach to Transformation** (Pages 35 - 46)

To consider a report which sets out the proposed transformational approach the Council will take to deliver the Cheshire East Council Plan and support the Medium-Term Financial Strategy budget savings of £100m over the next 4 years.

7. **Review of Committee Structure** (Pages 47 - 58)

To consider a report on proposed improvements to the committee system.

8. **Proposed Changes to the Constitution** (Pages 59 - 68)

To consider proposed changes to the Constitution, as agreed and recommended by the Council's Constitution Working Group, and to note other amendments made by the Monitoring Officer.

9. **Appointments to Outside Organisations** (Pages 69 - 74)

To make appointments to a number of outside organisations.

10. **Council Nominations to the Board of Peak and Plains Housing Trust** (Pages 75 - 82)

To consider a request from Peaks and Plains Housing Trust to remove the Council's opportunity to nominate a Member to sit on the Peaks and Plains Housing Trust Board.

11. **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion - Annual Review** (Pages 83 - 114)

To provide an update on progress with the delivery of the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy 2021-2025.

12. **Performance Report - Q3 2023/24** (Pages 115 - 166)

To provide an oversight of organisational performance against the priorities and vision set out within the Council's Corporate Plan 2021-25.

13. **Work Programme**

The work programme for 2024-25 will be presented to the Committee's first meeting of the new municipal year.

14. **Minutes of Sub-Committees** (Pages 167 - 172)

To receive the minutes of the following sub-committees:

Finance Sub-Committee – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024  
General Appeals Sub-Committee – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024

15. **Strategic Risk Register - Assurance Report Q3 2023/24** (Pages 173 - 230)

To consider an update on the activity of the Council's Strategic Risk Register for Quarter 3 2023/24.

16. **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**

17. **Strategic Risk Register - Assurance Report Q3 2023/24** (Pages 231 - 242)

To consider that part of the Strategic Risk Register report relating to Ansa, including Appendix B.

**Membership:** Councillors C Bulman, D Clark, J Clowes, S Corcoran (Chair), M Goldsmith, M Gorman (Vice-Chair), A Harrison, N Mannion, C O'Leary, J Pearson, J Rhodes, J Saunders and M Warren