

# Environment and Communities Committee

## Agenda

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**Date:** Thursday, 9th November, 2023  
**Time:** 10.00 am  
**Venue:** Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,  
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

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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 and non-pecuniary 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 28 September 2023.

4. **Public Speaking/Open Session**

In accordance with paragraph 2.24 of the Council's 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 agenda. Each member of the public will be allowed up to two minutes each to speak, and 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.

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For requests for further information

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5. **Local Plan Next Steps** (Pages 15 - 28)

To consider the implications of the government's national planning reforms on the Council's new Local Plan programme and decide whether the Plan will be taken forward under the current legislative and national policy framework or be prepared as a 'new style' plan under the revised legislative and national policy framework.

6. **S106 Key Findings - Internal Audit Report** (Pages 29 - 36)

To receive the key findings from Internal Audit's review of arrangements for the management and monitoring of Section 106 funds.

7. **Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document** (Pages 37 - 396)

To receive a report seeking approval to consult on the final draft of the Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document for a period of four weeks.

8. **Environmental Protection Supplementary Planning Document** (Pages 397 - 510)

To receive a report seeking approval to consult on the Environmental Protection Supplementary Planning Document for a period of four weeks.

9. **Update on the Planning Modernisation Plan** (Pages 511 - 530)

To receive an update on the progress made so far on the Planning Modernisation Plan that was endorsed by the Environment & Communities Committee on 31 October 2022.

10. **Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation 2024/25 - 2027/28 (Environment and Communities Committee)** (Pages 531 - 544)

To receive a report on the Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation for 2024/25 – 2027/28.

11. **Second Financial Review 2023/24 (Environment and Communities Committee)** (Pages 545 - 580)

To receive the second financial review of 2023-24.

12. **Mid-Year Performance Review 2023/24** (Pages 581 - 600)

To receive a report on the mid-year performance of Environment and Neighbourhood Services for 2023/24.

13. **MTFS 90 Strategic Leisure Review - Update** (Pages 601 - 688)

To receive an update on progress with the Strategic Leisure Review and proposed approach in advance of a formal public consultation in late 2023.

14. **Work Programme** (Pages 689 - 692)

To consider the work programme and determine any required amendments.

15. **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.

16. **MTFS 90 Strategic Leisure Review - Update (Part 2)** (Pages 693 - 788)

**Membership:** Councillors J Bird, M Brooks, L Buchanan, T Dean, A Farrall, S Gardiner, D Jefferay, B Posnett, H Seddon, L Smetham, J Snowball (Vice-Chair), M Warren (Chair) and H Whitaker