

Corporate Policy Committee Agenda

Date: Thursday, 28th November, 2024

Time: 10.00 am

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.

It should be noted that Part 1 items of Cheshire East Council decision making 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 3 October 2024.

For requests for further information

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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 <u>Constitution</u>, 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 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.

Petitions - To receive any petitions which have met the criteria - <u>Petitions Scheme</u> <u>Criteria</u>, and falls within the remit of the Committee. Petition organisers will be allowed up to three minutes to speak.

5. Cheshire East Council Support for Proposed Future Rail Schemes (Pages 15 - 92)

To consider the report which sets out work to date to establish a Cheshire East Council position on two emerging rail proposals impacting the borough.

6. **Second Financial Review 2024/25 (Corporate Policy Committee)** (Pages 93 - 164)

To consider the report on the current forecast outturn for the financial year 2024/25 based on income, expenditure and known commitments as at the end of August 2024.

7. Medium Term Financial Strategy Update and Consultation 2025/26 - 2028/29 (Corporate Policy Committee) (Pages 165 - 200)

To receive an update on the MTFS Strategy and Consultation.

8. **Council Tax Base 2025/26** (Pages 201 - 208)

To consider the report which sets out the Council taxbase calculation 2025/26.

9. **Performance Report - Cheshire East Plan, Quarter 2 2024/25** (Pages 209 - 230)

To consider the report which provides oversight of organisational performance against the priorities and vision set out within the Council's Corporate Plan 2021-25 during Q2 2024-25.

10. **HR Policies and Procedures** (Pages 231 - 288)

To consider new and amended HR policies.

11. Six Monthly Complaints and Compliments Update 2024-25 (Pages 289 - 346)

To consider a report which sets out an analysis of complaints and compliments received during the period 1st April 2024 to 30th September 2024.

12. Changes to the Council's Constitution (Pages 347 - 366)

To consider a report which sets out proposed changes to the Constitution.

13. **Appointments to Outside Organisations** (Pages 367 - 372)

To consider a report on appointments to outside organisations.

14. **Work Programme** (Pages 373 - 376)

To consider the Work Programme and determine any required amendments.

15. **Minutes of Sub-Committees** (Pages 377 - 378)

To receive the minutes of the General Appeals Sub Committee held on 5 November 2024.

16. Strategic Risk Assurance Report Quarter 2 2024/25 (Pages 379 - 438)

To consider an update on the activity of the Strategic Risk Register during Q2 2024-25.

17. 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.

18. **Strategic Risk Assurance Report Quarter 2 2024/25** (Pages 439 - 456)

To consider Appendix B of the Strategic Risk Register.

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