

Corporate Policy Committee

Agenda

Date: Thursday, 30th November, 2023
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 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 will be uploaded to the Council's website.

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 - 12)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 5th October 2023.

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 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.

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5. **Second Financial Review 2023/24** (Pages 13 - 52)

To consider a report on the second review of the Cheshire East Council forecast outturn for the financial year 2023/24.

6. **Medium-Term Financial Strategy Consultation 2024/25 - 2027/28 (Corporate Policy Committee)** (Pages 53 - 66)

To consider a report on the indicative financial envelope for the Corporate Policy Committee to support consultation on the development of the Cheshire East Medium-Term Financial Strategy 2024/25 to 2027/28.

7. **Council Tax Base 2024/25** (Pages 67 - 74)

To consider a report on the Council tax base calculation 2024/25 for recommendation to Council in December 2023.

8. **Proposed Changes to the Constitution** (Pages 75 - 82)

To consider a report on proposed changes to the Constitution.

9. **Review of the Committee System and Medium-Term Financial Strategy Saving** (Pages 83 - 94)

To consider proposed improvements to the committee system.

10. **Cheshire East Council Electoral Review** (Pages 95 - 162)

To consider the recommendations of the Electoral Review Sub-Committee in relation to future council size for recommendation to full Council in December.

11. **Workforce Strategy 2021-2025** (Pages 163 - 172)

To consider a report on progress against delivery of Cheshire East Council's Workforce Strategy 2021-2025 up to October 2023.

12. **Six Months Complaints Report** (Pages 173 - 208)

To consider a report which provides a summary and analysis of complaints and compliments received by the Council during the period 1st April 2023 to 30th September 2023.

13. **Work Programme** (Pages 209 - 214)

To consider the Work Programme and determine any required amendments.

14. **Minutes of Sub-Committees** (Pages 215 - 228)

To receive the minutes of the following sub-committees:

Finance Sub-Committee – 2nd November 2023

General Appeals Sub-Committee – 10th October 2023

General Appeals Sub-Committee – 7th November 2023

15. **WorkplaCE (Estate Rationalisation)** (Pages 229 - 332)

To consider a report which proposes the closure of the Westfields offices in Sandbach following consultation with Cheshire East Council recognised trade unions, employees and members.

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 Paragraphs 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

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

17. **WorkplaCE (Estate Rationalisation)** (Pages 333 - 336)

To consider Appendix 4 to the report.

18. **ERP Support Contract Extension** (Pages 337 - 344)

To consider a report on ERP Support Contract Extension.

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