

Corporate Policy Committee

Agenda

Date: Thursday, 1st December, 2022
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

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

3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 16)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 6th October 2022.

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.

5. **High Speed Rail 2 Phase 2b - Qualifying Authority and Schedule 17 Decision-Making** (Pages 17 - 32)

To consider a report which seeks to consult the Corporate Policy Committee prior to a decision being made by Full Council which seeks for the Council to become a Qualifying Authority for the construction of phase 2b of the High Speed Rail 2 (HS2).

6. **Communications Strategy for Residents 2022-25** (Pages 33 - 88)

To consider a report which presents the Communications Strategy for Residents 2022-25 for approval, with the results of public consultation on the draft strategy.

7. **Consultation and Engagement** (Pages 89 - 160)

To report progress in delivering a co-ordinated and collaborative approach to consultation and engagement, since the previous report in July 2022.

8. **Workforce Strategy 2021-2025 - Progress Update** (Pages 161 - 170)

To consider a report which provides an update on progress against the delivery of Cheshire East Council's Workforce Strategy 2021-2025; an update on the Mutually Agreed Resignation Scheme (MARS); and a review of the programme of activities supporting organisational culture.

9. **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion - Annual Review** (Pages 171 - 194)

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

10. **Financial Review Update 2022/23** (Pages 195 - 336)

To consider a report which provides an updated overview of the Cheshire East Council forecast outturn for the financial year 2022/23.

11. **Performance Report - Quarter 2 2022/23** (Pages 337 - 390)

To consider a report which provides an oversight of organisational performance for the second quarter of 2022/23 against the priorities in the Council's Corporate Plan 2021-25.

12. **Strategic Risk Register Assurance Report Q2 2022/23** (Pages 391 - 436)

To consider a report which provides an update on the activity of the Council's Strategic Risk Register for Quarter 2 (July – September) 2022/23.

13. **Health and Safety Update 2022/23** (Pages 437 - 450)

To consider a report which provides a summary of accident and information data for the Council and maintained schools for the first two quarters of 2022/23 and comparative data for the same periods in the last three years.

14. **Domestic Taxbase 2023/24** (Pages 451 - 458)

To consider a report which sets out the Council tax base calculation 2023/24 for recommendation from Corporate Policy Committee to Council in December 2022.

15. **Work Programme** (Pages 459 - 464)

To consider the Work Programme and determine any required amendments.

16. **Minutes of Sub-Committees** (Pages 465 - 472)

To receive the minutes of the following sub-committee meetings:

General Appeals Sub-Committee - 23rd August 2022
General Appeals Sub-Committee - 20th September 2022
General Appeals Sub-Committee - 11th October 2022
General Appeals Sub-Committee - 8th November 2022

THERE ARE NO PART 2 ITEMS

Membership: Councillors C Browne, J Clowes, S Corcoran (Chair), JP Findlow, K Flavell, S Gardiner, N Mannion, A Martin, J Rhodes, J Saunders, A Stott (Vice-Chair), M Warren and P Williams