

# Agenda for a meeting of the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday, 19 July 2017 at 5.30 pm in Committee Room 1 - City Hall, Bradford

## Members of the Committee – Councillors

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND INDEPENDENT	THE INDEPENDENTS
BM Smith Cooke Riaz	Warburton Arshad Hussain Watson Bacon Duffy	J Sunderland	Naylor

## Alternates:

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND INDEPENDENT	THE INDEPENDENTS
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## **A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS**

### **1. ALTERNATE MEMBERS (Standing Order 34)**

The City Solicitor will report the names of alternate Members who are attending the meeting in place of appointed Members.

### **2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of the Constitution)

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

*Notes:*

- (1) Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.*
- (2) Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.*
- (3) Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.*
- (4) Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.*

### **3. MINUTES**

**Recommended –**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 April 2017 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).**

(Yusuf Patel – 01274 434579)



#### **4. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS**

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director whose name is shown on the front page of the report.

If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting.

Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Yusuf Patel - 01274 434579)

#### **5. REFERRALS TO THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

No referrals have been made to this Committee up to and including the date of publication of this agenda.

### **B. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ACTIVITIES**

#### **6. 2016-17 ANNUAL FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE REPORT**

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The Strategic Director Corporate Services will submit a report (**Document “A”**) which gives Members an insight into the Council's overall position at the end of the 2016-17 financial year by integrating finance and performance information. It provides a detailed statement of the final financial position of the Council at the 31 March 2017 as well as the annual outturn for the Corporate Indicator Set. The report specifically details how Services are performing within the context of the Council's stewardship of its revenue resources.

**Recommended –**

**Members are asked to review and comment on the 2016-17 Annual Finance and Performance Report.**

(Andrew Cross – 01274 436823)



7. **FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL POSITION STATEMENT FOR 2017-18** 93 - 126

The Strategic Director Corporate Services will submit a report (**Document “B”**) which provides Members with an overview of the forecast financial position of the Council for 2017-18.

It examines the latest spend against revenue and capital budgets and forecasts the financial position at the year end. It states the Council's current balances and reserves and forecasts school balances for the year.

**Recommended –**

**Members are asked to review and comment on the Qtr 1 Financial Position Statement for 2017-18.**

(Andrew Cross - 01274 436823)

8. **MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2018/19 TO 2020/21 AND BEYOND** 127 - 154

The local government sector continues to face various challenges amidst a backdrop of uncertainty. Last year the Council recognised that the financial landscape could totally shift and in response embarked on a planning journey to allocate its budget across the key priority outcomes for Bradford Council and the District. The report of the Strategic Director Corporate Services (**Document “C”**) sets out the financial envelope for the Council to deliver its key priorities as set out in the revised Corporate Plan based on assumptions made from the relevant data available.

The forecast identifies for planning purposes that savings need to be identified of £12.4m in 2018/19 in addition to the £20.7m agreed in February 2017. In the following year the gap increases to £20.1m in 2019/20 and then up to £45.8m by 2023/24. This forecast reflects the risks associated with delivering the Council Plan 2017-2021 in particular the challenges of the costs of social care.

**Recommended –**

**Members views and comments in relation to the Medium Term Financial Strategy are sought from members.**

(Tom Caselton - 01274 434472)



**9. COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT**

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The Strategic Director Corporate Services will submit a report (**Document “D”**) which looks at options for responding to the challenges for the operation and delivery of the Council Tax Reduction scheme

**Recommended –**

**That the Committee consider the council tax support schemes presented in the report and express its views on the development and delivery of a future Council Tax Support arrangements for the Bradford District.**

(Martin Stubbs - 01274 432056)

**10. CORPORATE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18**

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The Chair of the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee will submit a report (**Document “E”**) which includes proposed items for the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee DRAFT work programme for 2017/18. The Committee is asked to consider which items it wishes to include in the work programme.

**Recommended –**

- (1) That members consider and comment on the areas of work to be carried forward into this municipal year.**
- (2) That members consider any detailed scrutiny reviews that they may wish to conduct.**
- (3) That the work plan for the committee be approved.**

(Mustansir Butt - 01274 432574)

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