

## **Agenda for an Extraordinary meeting of the Executive to be held on Thursday, 21 December 2023 at 10.30 am in the Council Chamber - City Hall, Bradford**

### **Members of the Executive – Councillors**

<b>LABOUR</b>
Hinchcliffe (Chair)
I Khan
Ross-Shaw
Ferriby
Jabar
Duffy

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### **To:**

## A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

### 1. 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.

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- (1) *Members must consider their interests, and act according to the following:*

<b>Type of Interest</b>	<b>You must:</b>
<i>Disclosable Pecuniary Interests</i>	<i>Disclose the interest; not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting <u>unless</u> you have a dispensation.</i>
<i>Other Registrable Interests (Directly Related)</i> <b>OR</b> <i>Non-Registrable Interests (Directly Related)</i>	<i>Disclose the interest; speak on the item <u>only if</u> the public are also allowed to speak but otherwise not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting <u>unless</u> you have a dispensation.</i>
<i>Other Registrable Interests (Affects)</i> <b>OR</b> <i>Non-Registrable Interests (Affects)</i>	<i>Disclose the interest; remain in the meeting, participate and vote <u>unless</u> the matter affects the financial interest or well-being</i>  <i>(a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of a majority of inhabitants of the affected ward, and</i>  <i>(b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest; in which case speak on the item <u>only if</u> the public are also allowed to speak but otherwise not do not participate in the discussion or</i>

*vote; and leave the meeting unless you have a dispensation.*

- (2) *Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.*
- (3) *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.*
- (4) *Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.*

## **2. 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– 07970 411923)

## **3. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE**

To note any recommendations to the Executive that may be the subject of report to a future meeting. (Schedule to be tabled at the meeting).

(Yusuf Patel– 07970 411923)

## B. STRATEGIC ITEMS

### LEADER OF COUNCIL & CORPORATE

*(Councillor Hinchcliffe)*

#### 4. BUDGET UPDATE - EXCEPTIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT REQUEST

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The Director of Finance will submit a report (**Document “AA”**) which updates Executive on the Council’s Financial Position, the action being undertaken to address projected funding gaps, the rationale for requesting Exceptional Financial Support from Government and the next steps in setting a budget for 2024-25.

**Recommended –**

**That the Executive:**

- (1) **Note that the Council’s financial position has continued to deteriorate.**
- (2) **Note Exceptional Financial Support is required in 2023-24 and 2024-25 and without this the s151 officer will have to issue a s114 report.**
- (3) **Note that the Executive will receive a budget proposal report in January 2024 that will outline long term spending reductions.**
- (4) **Note that there will be continued discussions with the BCFT on their Business Plan.**
- (5) **Delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Director of Finance to engage with the Department of Levelling Up Housing and Communities to formally request Exceptional Financial Support in 2023-24 and 2024-25.**
- (6) **Note the requirement for the implementation and development a transformation programme to deliver savings and future proposals.**
- (7) **Note the Type 1 contract variation request from BCFT for £13.5m of year to date costs which has been agreed and paid. This is contained within the existing overspend.**

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Corporate

(Andrew Cross – 01274 436823)