

# **Scrutiny Overview Committee**

Meeting to be held on: 13 JUNE 2019 AT 6.00 P.M.

Your attendance is requested at the above meeting, which will be held at, the Council House, Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1TW. A list of the items of business to be considered at the meeting, together with any supporting papers is enclosed. Please bring the papers with you to the meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Chair: Councillor Murray

Vice Chair: Councillor Nawaz

Councillor S. Ditta
Councillor Ferguson
Councillor Harrison
Councillor Hussain
Councillor Jeavons
Councillor Rasab
Councillor Samra
Councillor Shires
Councillor M. Statham

**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL:** Councillor Bird

PORTFOLIO HOLDERS: All

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Some items are discussed in private because of their confidential nature, and reports on these are not available for the public. A guide to the types of information which are available to the public can also be found on our website or at the Civic Centre.

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## ITEMS FOR BUSINESS

1.	Apologies	
	To receive apologies for absence from Members of the	
	Committee.	
2.	Substitutions	
	To receive notice of any substitutions for a Member of the	
	Committee for the duration of the meeting.	
3.	Declarations of interest and party whip	
	To receive declarations of interest or the party whip from	
	Members in respect of items on the agenda	
4.	Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as	
	amended)	
	To agree that the public be excluded from the private session	
	during consideration of the agenda items indicated for the	
	reasons shown on the agenda (if applicable).	
5.	Minutes	
	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 23	Enclosed
	April 2019.	
6.	Areas of Focus 2019/20	
	For the Committee to consider and agree its areas of focus for	Enclosed
	the municipal year.	<u>=:::0:000</u>
7.	Overview and Scrutiny Committee Priorities 2019/20	
	To receive feedback for the Chairs of the Councils Overview	Verbal
	and Scrutiny Committees on priority areas for 2019/20.	<u></u>
8.	Statutory Guidance on Overview and Scrutiny in Local and	
	Combined Authorities	Enclosed
	To inform Members of the new statutory guidance and discuss	LHOIOGCU
	its implementation.	
9.	Date of next meeting	
	To note that the date of the next meeting will be 29 August	
	2019.	

## The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

## **Specified pecuniary interests**

The pecuniary interests which are specified for the purposes of Chapter 7 of Part 1 of the Localism Act 2011 are the interests specified in the second column of the following:

Subject	Prescribed description		
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.		
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by a member in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of a member.		
	This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Regulations (Consolidation) Act 1992.		
Contracts	Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority:		
	(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and		
	(b) which has not been fully discharged.		
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.		
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.		
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to a member's knowledge):		
	(a) the landlord is the relevant authority;		
	(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.		
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where:		
	(a) that body (to a member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and		
	(b) either:		
	(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or		
	(ii) if the share capital of that body is more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.		

#### Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended)

### Access to information: Exempt information

#### Part 1

#### Descriptions of exempt information: England

- 1. Information relating to any individual.
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
- 3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
- 4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
- 5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
- 6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:
  - (a) to give any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
- 7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.
- 8. Information being disclosed during a meeting of an Overview and Scrutiny Committee when considering flood risk management functions which:
  - (a) Constitutes a trades secret;
  - (b) Its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the risk management authority);
  - (c) It was obtained by a risk management authority from any other person and its disclosure to the public by the risk management authority would constitute a breach of confidence actionable by that other person.