

Scrutiny Overview Committee

Meeting to be held on: 10 MARCH 2020 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 13 January 2020 and 4 February 2020.	<u>Enclosed</u>
6.	Walsall Safer Partnership Plan 2020 To receive a presentation on work being undertaken to achieve the priorities in the Plan. A copy of the Plan is included for information.	<u>Presentation</u>
7.	Policing in Walsall Chief Superintendent Andy Parsons will be in attendance to discuss Policing in Walsall.	<u>Verbal</u>
8.	Homelessness	
	In accordance with Walsall Homelessness Strategy 2018 – 2022, officers from Money Home Job (MHJ), are required to provide the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an annual update on the progress made in assisting residents who are homeless or threatened with homelessness.	Enclosed
9.	Scrutiny-Cabinet Protocol To consider and give feedback on a draft protocol.	<u>Enclosed</u>
10.	Resilient Communities Working Group – Terms of Reference To agree the terms of reference for the working group established at the 13 January 2020 meeting of the Committee.	<u>Enclosed</u>
11.	Feedback from Overview and Scrutiny Committees To discuss recent meetings of the Councils Overview and Scrutiny Committees.	<u>Enclosed</u>
12.	Areas of Focus 2019/20 For the Committee to consider and agree its areas of focus for the municipal year.	<u>Enclosed</u>

13.	Date of next meeting	
	To note that the date of the next meeting will be 10 March 2020.	

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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	
Land	(b) which has not been fully discharged. 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.