

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Meeting: Monday, 23rd February 2015 at 6.30 pm in Civic Suite, North Warehouse, The Docks, Gloucester, GL1 2EP

Membership:	Cllrs. Lugg (Chair), S. Witts (Vice-Chair), Gravells (Spokesperson), Haigh, Hanman, Lewis, Wilson, Ravenhill, Field, Dee, Taylor, Beeley, Hansdot, Toleman and Pullen
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AGENDA		
	To receive any apologies for absence.	
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	To receive from Members, declarations of the existence of any disclosable pecuniary, or non-pecuniary, interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any agenda item. Please see Agenda Notes.	
3.	MINUTES (Pages 5 - 10)	
	To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2015.	
4.	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)	
	To receive any questions from members of the public provided that a question does not relate to:	
	 Matters which are the subject of current or pending legal proceedings, or Matters relating to employees or former employees of the Council or comments in respect of individual Council Officers 	
5.	PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS (15 MINUTES)	
	To receive any petitions and deputations provided that no such petition or deputation is in relation to:	
	Matters relating to individual Council Officers, or	
	Matters relating to current or pending legal proceedings	

6. FINANCIAL MONITORING QUARTER 3 (Pages 11 - 22)

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources which asks Cabinet to note the financial monitoring report details including budget variances, year-end forecasts, and progress made against agreed savings targets for the 3rd quarter ended 31st December 2014. The report also highlights some key performance indicators.

7. **HOUSING STRATEGY** (Pages 23 - 84)

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure which updates Members following consultation on the draft housing strategy and presents the final version for adoption and implementation.

8. REVIEW OF CULTURAL SERVICES (Pages 85 - 184)

To receive the report of the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture which provides Members with the details of the work undertaken by Michael + Partners in relation to the City and Folk Museums and the Guildhall and which recommends to Members elements of the report to be taken forward.

9. ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY 23 MARCH 2015

Members are asked to note that there will be a private training session at 6.15 pm on Monday 23 March 2015 in Meeting Room 1 on the subject 'Making Task and Finish Groups Effective'. All Members are asked to attend this training.

The main Committee meeting will then commence at **7 pm** in the Civic Suite.

10. MEMBER UPDATE ON OUTSIDE BODIES' ACTIVITIES

To receive verbal updates, as appropriate, from Members of the Committee who sit as City Council representatives on any of the outside bodies.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 23 March 2015.

PLEASE NOTE – There will be a private Member Training Session from 6.15 pm which is not open to the public. The public meeting will start at 7 pm.

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Martin Shields

Corporate Director of Services and Neighbourhoods

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NOTES

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

The duties to register, disclose and not to participate in respect of any matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest are set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.

Disclosable pecuniary interests are defined in the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 as follows –

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<u>Interest</u>	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 Council) made or provided within the previous 12 months (up to and including the date of notification of the interest) in respect of any expenses incurred by you carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.		
Contracts	Any contract which is made between you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (or a body in which you or they have a beneficial interest) and the Council (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 Council's area.		
	For this purpose "land" includes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for you, your spouse, civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income.		
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the Council's area for a month or longer.		
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) –		
	 (a) the landlord is the Council; and (b) the tenant is a body in which you, your spouse or civil partner or a person you are living with as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest 		
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where –		
	 (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the Council's area and (b) either – 		

body; or

i. The total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that

ii. If the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

For this purpose, "securities" means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

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