BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

FINANCE AND RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 24 JANUARY 2024 AT 14:30 HOURS
IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 3 & 4, COUNCIL HOUSE, VICTORIA
SQUARE, BIRMINGHAM, B1 1BB

AGENDA

1 NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST

The Chair to advise/meeting to note that this meeting will be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's Public-I microsite (<u>please click this link</u>) and that members of the press/public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

2 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Members are reminded they must declare all relevant pecuniary and other registerable interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting.

If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation.

If other registerable interests are declared a Member may speak on the matter only if members of the public are allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation.

If it is a 'sensitive interest', Members do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that they have an interest.

Information on the Local Government Association's Model Councillor Code of Conduct is set out via http://bit.ly/3WtGQnN. This includes, at Appendix 1, an interests flowchart which provides a simple guide to declaring interests at meetings.

4 <u>MINUTES</u> 5 - 10

To confirm the minutes of the Finance and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 14 December 2023.

11 - 16 ACTION TRACKER

To note the action tracker.

17 - 18 6 COMMISSIONER'S REVIEW AND COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA

For the Committee to note the attached comments on the agenda.

7 PLANNED PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES 19 - 28

To consider the Planned Procurement Activities Reports considered at Cabinet on 16 January 2024.

Steve Sandercock, Assistant Director, Procurement, in attendance.

29 - 32 8 JOB EVALUATION AND PAY EQUITY UPDATE

To receive an update on activities and timescales to meet the April 2025 deadline for the implementation of the Pay Equity System. Katy Fox, Director of People Services, in attendance.

9 **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

Recommended that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting for agenda item 10 under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that:

- (i) it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act; and
- (ii) the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

10 BUDGET SCRUTINY TASK AND FINISH GROUP REPORT

To agree recommendations and comments to be reported to Cabinet to inform the budget.

Cllr. Sir Albert Bore to present the report.

33 - 52 WORK PROGRAMME

To consider the Committee's work programme and agree any updates/amendments.

12 REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS RECEIVED (IF ANY)

To consider any request for call in/councillor call for action/petitions (if received).

13 OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any items of business by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) that in the opinion of the Chair are matters of urgency.

14 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

To note the date of the next meeting on Thursday 8 February 2024 at 1400 hours in Committee Room 6.

15 **AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS**

Chair to move:-

'In an urgent situation between meetings, the Chair jointly with the relevant Chief Officer has authority to act on behalf of the Committee'.