



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be held in the Council Chamber - Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester, GL7 1PX on **Tuesday, 30 January 2024 at 4.00 pm.**

Rob Weaver
Chief Executive

To: Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
(Councillors Gina Blomefield, Gary Selwyn, David Cunningham, Roly Hughes, Angus Jenkinson, Dilys Neill, Michael Vann, Tony Slater, Clare Turner and Jon Wareing)

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AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
To receive any apologies for absence. The Quorum for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is 3 Members.
2. **Substitute Members**
To note details of any substitution arrangements in place for the Meeting.
3. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive any declarations of interest from Members and Officers, relating to items to be considered at the meeting.
4. **Minutes (Pages 5 - 12)**
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8 January 2024
5. **Actions Arising from the Minutes**
To review actions from previous meetings.
6. **Chair's Announcements**
To receive any announcements from the Chair
7. **Public Questions**
Members of the public may ask up to two oral spoken questions at Ordinary Meetings of the Council, Cabinet and Committees. A maximum period of fifteen minutes shall be allowed at any such meeting for open forum questions. Prior notice of oral questions is not required. The time limit for an oral questions is one minute.
8. **Member Questions**
To deal with written questions by Members, relating to issues under the Committee's remit, with the maximum length of oral supplementary questions at Committee being no longer than one minute. Responses to any supplementary questions will be dealt with in writing if they cannot be dealt with at the meeting.
9. **Review of Leisure and Cultural Services provision (Pages 13 - 58) – 30 minutes**
Summary/Purpose
This report considers the Council's role in contributing to healthy communities through its leisure and cultural services.
It provides updates on the delivery of the Active Cotswold leisure strategy, mobilisation of the new leisure and cultural contracts, and the Council's work with other health and wellbeing partners.
The recently adopted playing pitch strategy is referenced and future plans and initiatives are described.

Recommendations

That the Committee resolves to:

1. Consider and note the report's content;
2. Make recommendations to the Cabinet that could further improve the district's leisure and cultural services offer.

Invited

Councillor Paul Hodgkinson, Cabinet Member for Health, Leisure and Culture
Andy Barge, Assistant Director for Communities
Jacqueline Wright, Business Manager for Leisure and Wellbeing

10. **24/25 Ubico Business Plan Engagement (Pages 59 - 74)- 20 minutes**

Purpose

For the Committee to receive a verbal presentation of the Ubico 2024/25 Business Plan.

Recommendation

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee scrutinises the plan and agrees any recommendations it wishes to submit to the Cabinet meeting on 1 February.

Invited

Beth Boughton, Managing Director, UBICO
Rob Heath, Operations Director, UBICO

11. **2024/25 Budget – Fees and Charges Report – 30 minutes**

Report to follow

Recommendation

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee scrutinises the report and agrees any recommendations it wishes to submit to the Cabinet meeting on 1 February.

Invited

Councillor Mike Evemy, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance
David Stanley, Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer

12. **Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024/25- 30 minutes**

Report to follow

Recommendation

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee scrutinises the report and agrees any recommendations it wishes to submit to the Cabinet meeting on 1 February.

Invited

Councillor Mike Evemy, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance
David Stanley, Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer

13. **Agile working and future tenancies at Trinity Road Council Offices (Pages 75 - 82)- 20 minutes**

Purpose

To update Cabinet on the work that has been completed to make changes to the Trinity Road offices to facilitate agile working and free up space for tenants and to make recommendations on a future tenant for the space created

Recommendation

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee scrutinises the report and agrees any recommendations it wishes to submit to the Cabinet meeting on 1 February.

Invited

Councillor Mike Evemy, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance
David Stanley, Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer

14. **Report of the Public Conveniences Review Group (Pages 83 - 96)- 20 minutes**

Summary/Purpose

To present to Cabinet the recommendations of the Public Conveniences Review Group

Recommendation(s)

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolves to:

- I. Approve the report for submission to Cabinet.

15. **Updates from Gloucestershire County Council Scrutiny Committees – 10 minutes**

Purpose

For the appointed representatives to update the Committee on the work of:

- Gloucestershire Health Overview and Scrutiny (HOSC) – Cllr Dilys Neill
- Gloucestershire Economic Growth Scrutiny Committee (GEGSC) – Cllr Angus Jenkinson

16. **Work Plan (Pages 97 - 118) – 5 minutes**

For the Committee to note and review its work plan and to select Cabinet decisions for pre-decision scrutiny at future committee meetings.

17. **Matters Exempt from Publication**

If the Committee wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the exempt from publication part of the agenda, it will be necessary for the Committee to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Committee may maintain the exemption if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

18. **Exempt Annex A- Agenda item 13 (Pages 119 - 120)**

19. **Exempt Annex B - Agenda Item 14 (Pages 121 - 124)**

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