

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2004 7.30 PM

COMMITTEE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ROOMS 1&2, HARROW CIVIC CENTRE

MEMBERSHIP (Quorum 3)

Chair: Councillor Jean Lammiman

Councillors:

Blann Osborn
Bluston Pinkus
Gate Seymour
Mitzi Green Versallion

Ingram Thammaiah

Reserve Members:

1. Mrs R Shah 1. Myra Michael

Nana Asante
 Mrs Champagnie
 Ann Groves
 Mary John

4. Lavingia 4. John Nickolay

5. Toms 5. Janet Mote

6. Omar

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HARROW COUNCIL

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AGENDA - PART I

1. Appointment of Chair:

Further to the re-establishment of this Committee by Council at its meeting on 21 October 2004, the Committee is asked to note the appointment of Councillor Jean Lammiman as Chair for the remainder of the 2004/05 Municipal Year.

2. Attendance by Reserve Members:

To note the attendance at this meeting of any duly appointed Reserve Members.

Reserve Members may attend meetings:-

- (i) to take the place of an ordinary Member for whom they are a reserve;
- (ii) where the ordinary Member will be absent for the whole of the meeting; and
- (iii) after notifying the Chair at the start of the meeting.

3. **Declarations of Interest:**

To receive declarations of personal or prejudicial interests, arising from business to be transacted at this meeting, from all Members present.

4. Arrangement of Agenda:

To consider whether any of the items listed on the agenda should be considered with the press and public excluded on the grounds that it is thought likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that there would be disclosure of confidential information in breach of an obligation of confidence or of exempt information as defined in the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

5. **Appointment of Vice-Chair:**

Further to the re-establishment of this Committee at the Council meeting on 21 October 2004, the Committee is asked to appoint a Vice-Chair for the remainder of the 2004/05 Municipal Year.

6. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2004, having been circulated, to be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

7. Public Questions:

To receive questions (if any) from local residents/organisations under the provisions of Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 8.

8. **Petitions:**

To receive petitions (if any) submitted by members of the public/Councillors under the provisions of Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 9.

9. **Deputations:**

To receive deputations (if any) under the provisions of Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 10.

- 10. References from Council/Cabinet: (if any).
- 11. Question and Answer Session with the Leader and the Chief Executive:
- Enc. 12. <u>Medium Term Budget Strategy (MTBS) Reprice 2005-06:</u> (Pages 1 26) Report of the Executive Director (Business Connections).
 - Notes: (i) The Business Connections and Performance Portfolio Holder, Councillor Dighé, will be in attendance at the meeting for the above item.
 - (ii) The above report was submitted to Cabinet on 14 October 2004. The relevant extract from the Cabinet minutes is also attached.
- Enc. 13. <u>Scrutiny Review of Housing Benefits Administration:</u> (Pages 27 32) Report of the Director of Business Services.

Note: The Business Connections and Performance Portfolio Holder, Councillor Dighé, will be in attendance at the meeting for the above item

- Enc. 14. <u>Statement of Internal Control:</u> (Pages 33 46)
 Report of the Director of Business and Financial Strategy.
- Enc. 15. <u>Strategic Performance Report Quarter 2 2004/05:</u> (Pages 47 60) Report of the Director of Organisational Performance.
 - 16. Scrutiny Review of Budget Processes Update: (To Follow)
 - 17. Progress Reports on Reviews Members' Verbal Updates:
 - (a) Scrutiny Review of the New Harrow Project
- Enc. 18. Re-establishment of the Scrutiny Sub-Committees: (Pages 61 64)

 To consider the re-establishment of, and appointment of Members to, the Scrutiny Sub-Committees, together with the appointment of the Sub-Committee Chairs.
 - 19. Any Other Business:

Which the Chair has decided is urgent and cannot otherwise be dealt with.

AGENDA - PART II - NIL