

# Agenda

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## Scrutiny Committee

Date: **Wednesday 20 January 2016**

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Time: **6.15 pm**

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Place: **St Aldate's Room, Town Hall**

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# Scrutiny Committee

## Membership

<b>Chair</b>	Councillor Craig Simmons
	Councillor Tom Hayes
	Councillor Van Coulter
	Councillor Roy Darke
	Councillor James Fry
	Councillor Andrew Gant
	Councillor Sam Hollick
	Councillor David Henwood
	Councillor Jennifer Pegg
	Councillor Ben Lloyd-Shogbesan
	Councillor Linda Smith
	Councillor Sian Taylor

The quorum for this Committee is four, substitutes are permitted.

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Background Information
<p>The City Executive Board will be asked to consider the report which proposes a revised delivery strategy for the Oxpens development at its special meeting on 14 January 2015.</p> <p>This <b>provisional</b> meeting of the Scrutiny Committee has been scheduled in case that City Executive Board decision is called-in.</p>
Why is it on the agenda?
<p>For the Scrutiny Committee to hear any call-in of the City Executive Board decision on the Oxpens Revised Delivery Strategy.</p> <p>If the Scrutiny Committee is required to review the City Executive Board decision in light of any new representations. The Scrutiny Committee, on a majority, can decide to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. support the decision, which can then be acted on immediately; or</li><li>2. send the decision back with its comments to the City Executive Board who will then take a final decision.</li></ol>
Who has been invited to comment?
<p>The following Board Members and officers have been invited to attend the meeting to answer the Committee's questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Councillor Price, Board Member Corporate Strategy and Economic Development</li><li>• Councillor Turner, Finance, Asset Management and Public Health</li><li>• Councillor Hollingsworth, Planning, Transport and Regulatory Services</li><li>• Peter Sloman, Chief Executive</li><li>• David Edwards, Executive Director, Regeneration &amp; Housing</li><li>• Nigel Kennedy, Head of Financial Services</li><li>• Lindsay Cane, Legal Services Manager</li></ul>

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**4 MINUTES**

The Minutes from 12 January 2016 will be circulated as a supplement to this agenda.

**Recommendation:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2016 be APPROVED as a true and accurate record.

**5 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Meetings are scheduled as followed:

2 February 2016

7 March 2016

5 April 2016

All meetings being at 6.15 pm.

**6 MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION**

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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.

**PART TWO**  
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## **DECLARING INTERESTS**

### **General duty**

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

### **What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?**

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your\* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licences for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

### **Declaring an interest**

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

### **Members' Code of Conduct and public perception**

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

\*Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those of the member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.