Agenda



Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday 12 January 2017

Time: **6.00 pm**

Place: St Aldate's Room, Town Hall

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AGENDA

1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE			
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST			
3	REPORT BACK ON RECOMMENDATIONS	7 - 8		
	Contact Officer: Andrew Brown, Scrutiny Officer, Tel 01865 252230, abrown2@oxford.gov.uk			
	Background Information			
	The Committee makes a number of recommendations to officers and decision makers, who are obliged to respond in writing.			
	Why is it on the agenda?			
	This item allows Committee to see the results of recommendations since the last meeting.			
	Since the last meeting the following items have resulted in recommendations to the City Executive Board: • Air quality • Quarterly Integrated Performance 2016/17 Quarter 2 • Treasury Management performance for the 6 months ending 30 September 2016			
	Who has been invited to comment?			
	Andrew Brown, Scrutiny Officer will present the report.			
4	REPORT OF THE DEVOLUTION REVIEW GROUP	9 - 46		
	Background Information			
	The Scrutiny Committee commissioned the Devolution Review Group to review devolution proposals in Autumn 2016.			
	Why is it on the agenda?			
	For the Scrutiny Committee to comment on the report of the Devolution Review Group and approve it for submission to the City Executive Board on 19 January 2017			
	Who has been invited to comment?			
	 Councillor Bob Price, Leader and Board Member for Corporate Strategy and Economic Development; Caroline Green, Assistant Chief Executive. 			

5 MINUTES 47 - 54

Minutes from 6 December 2016

<u>Recommendation:</u> That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2016 be APPROVED as a true and accurate record.

6 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Meetings are scheduled as followed:

Scrutiny Committee

30 January 2017 28 February 2017 27 March 2017 2 May 2017

All meetings start at 6.00 pm.

Standing Panels

Housing Standing Panel – 1 March 2017, 5pm Finance Standing Panel – 1 February 2017, 5.30pm

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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.

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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.

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