

# NOTICE OF MEETING

### SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT PANEL

## FRIDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2023 AT 3.15 PM

#### **COUNCIL CHAMBER - THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH**

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#### Membership

Councillor Matthew Atkins (Chair) Councillor Graham Heaney (Vice-Chair) Councillor Dave Ashmore Councillor Mark Jeffery Councillor Abdul Kadir Councillor Leo Madden Councillor Scott Payter-Harris Councillor Gemma New

#### **Standing Deputies**

Councillor Simon Bosher Councillor Stuart Brown Councillor George Fielding Councillor Ian Holder Councillor Linda Symes Councillor Daniel Wemyss

(NB This Agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting.)

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# Public health guidance for staff and the public due to Winter coughs, colds and viruses, including Covid-19

- Following the government announcement 'Living with Covid-19' made on 21 February 2022 and the end of universal free testing from 1 April 2022, attendees are no longer required to undertake any asymptomatic/ lateral flow test within 48 hours of the meeting; however, we still encourage attendees to follow the public health precautions we have followed over the last two years to protect themselves and others including vaccination and taking a lateral flow test should they wish.
- We strongly recommend that attendees should be double vaccinated and have received any boosters they are eligible for.
- If unwell we encourage you not to attend the meeting but to stay at home. Updated government guidance from 1 April 2022 advises people with a respiratory infection, a high

temperature and who feel unwell, to stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. From 1 April 2022, anyone with a positive Covid-19 test result is still being advised to follow this guidance for five days, which is the period when you are most infectious.

- We encourage all attendees to wear a face covering while moving around crowded areas of the Guildhall.
- Although not a legal requirement, attendees are strongly encouraged to keep a social distance and take opportunities to prevent the spread of infection by following the 'hands, face, space' and 'catch it, kill it, bin it' advice that protects us from coughs, colds and winter viruses, including Covid-19.
- Hand sanitiser is provided at the entrance and throughout the Guildhall. All attendees are encouraged to make use of hand sanitiser on entry to the Guildhall.
- Those not participating in the meeting and wish to view proceedings are encouraged to do so remotely via the livestream link.

#### <u>A G E N D A</u>

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests
- 3 Minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2023 (Pages 5 10)

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2023 be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

4 Overview of Portsmouth City Council Budget and Council Tax 2023/24 and Medium Term Budget Forecast 2024/25 to 2026/27

(Information only Item)

An overview of the budget will be provided by Mr Chris Ward, s151 Officer.

An opportunity will be given to the panel to ask questions.

The Panel may also put forward for consideration at Cabinet any collective comments.

Members are advised that the budget papers will be included in the agenda for the 21 February 2023 meeting and are expected to be published on 13 February 2023 when they will be available to view on the Council's website via the following link:

Agenda for Cabinet on Tuesday, 21st February, 2023, 12.00 pm Portsmouth City Council Members of the public are permitted to use both audio visual recording devices and social media during this meeting, on the understanding that it neither disrupts the meeting nor records those stating explicitly that they do not wish to be recorded. Guidance on the use of devices at meetings open to the public is available on the Council's website and posters on the wall of the meeting's venue.

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