



SCRUTINY COMMISSION

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To: Councillors Seaton (Chair), Needham (Vice-Chair), B. Gray, Harper-Davies, Lennie, Rattray and N. Taylor (For attention)

All other members of the Council
(For information)

You are requested to attend the meeting of the Scrutiny Commission to be held in Committee Room 2, at the Council Offices, Southfields, Loughborough on Monday, 11th December 2023 at 6.00 pm for the following business.

Chief Executive

Southfields
Loughborough

1st December 2023

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES
2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 5 - 10

To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Commission held on 13th November 2023.

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, AND OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS

For information, disclosable pecuniary interests and registrable interests relate to entries that are included, or should be included, on a councillor's register of interests. Non-registrable interests relate to any other matters.

4. DECLARATIONS OF THE PARTY WHIP

5. QUESTIONS UNDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE PROCEDURES
11.16

No questions were submitted.

6. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF ANY SPECIFIC FINANCIAL MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED BY CABINET

There are no items of this nature on the Cabinet agenda for the Commission to consider.

7. CABINET ITEMS FOR PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY

The following items have been identified for pre-decision scrutiny from the Cabinet agenda for 14th December 2023.

(a) EXEMPT - Regeneration Prospectus

An exempt Cabinet report of the Head of Economic Development and Regeneration, circulated to members.

THIS IS AN EXEMPT REPORT AND WILL BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 13.

(b) Asset Management Strategy (AMS) 2024 to 2030 11 - 27

A Cabinet report of the Head of Assets and Property to seek Cabinet approval following a review and update of the Asset Management Strategy to reflect the corporate changes in the organisation and the commitment to a more agile, energy efficient and commercially focussed use of operational fixed assets.

8. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY - CABINET RESPONSE 28 - 29

A report of the Cabinet setting out its responses to recommendations of the Committee on pre-decision scrutiny items.

9. SCRUTINY PANELS 30 - 35

A report of the Director of Finance, Governance and Contracts to consider updates on the work of scrutiny panels.

10. SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 36 - 41

A report of the Director of Finance, Governance and Contracts enabling the Commission to review and agree the scrutiny work programme.

11. SCRUTINY COMMISSION WORK PROGRAMME 42 - 58

A report of the Director of Finance, Governance and Contracts setting out the list of forthcoming Executive Key Decisions and the Group's Work Programme for consideration, in order to identify items for future scrutiny.

12. EXEMPT INFORMATION

It is recommended that members of the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of this item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest of disclosing the information.

13. EXEMPT - REGENERATION PROSPECTUS 59 - 155

An exempt Cabinet report of the Head of Economic Development and Regeneration, circulated to members.

For information, further meetings of the Group are scheduled as follows:

8th January 2024
5th February 2024
4th March 2024

SCRUTINY QUESTIONS

What topics to choose?

- What difference will scrutiny make?
- Is this an area of concern – public/performance/risk register?
- Is this a corporate priority?
- Could scrutiny lead to improvements?
- What are the alternatives to pre-decision scrutiny?

Pre-decision scrutiny

- What is Cabinet being asked to agree?
- Why?
- How does this relate to the overall objective? Which is ...?
- What risks have been identified and how are they being addressed?
- What are the financial implications?

- What other options have been considered?
- Who has been consulted and what were the results?
- Will the decision Cabinet is being asked to take affect other policies, practices etc.?

Basic Questions

- Why are you/we doing this?
- Why are you/we doing it in this way?
- How do you/we know you are making a difference?
- How are priorities and targets set?
- How do you/we compare?
- What examples of good practice exist elsewhere?