

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - COMMUNITY

Date: Tuesday 14 January 2014
Time: 5.30 pm
Venue: Rennes Room, Civic Centre, Paris Street, Exeter

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business.

If you have an enquiry regarding any items on this agenda, please contact Howard Bassett, Democratic Services Officer (Committees) on 01392 265107 or email howard.bassett@exeter.gov.uk

Entry to the Civic Centre can be gained through the Customer Services Centre, Paris Street.

Membership -

Councillors Shiel (Chair), Mitchell (Deputy Chair), Bowkett, Branston, Bull, Choules, Clark, Crow, Macdonald, Morris, Mottram, Payne and Spackman

Agenda

Part I: Items suggested for discussion with the press and public present

1 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence from Committee members.

2 Minutes

To sign the minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2013.

3 Declaration of Interests

Councillors are reminded of the need to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests that relate to business on the agenda and which have not already been included in the register of interests, before any discussion takes place on the item. Unless the interest is sensitive, you must also disclose the nature of the interest. In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, you must then leave the room and must not participate in any further discussion of the item. Councillors requiring clarification should seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer prior to the day of the meeting.

4 **Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 - Exclusion of Press and Public**

It is considered that the Committee would be unlikely to exclude the press and public during consideration of the items on this agenda, but if it should wish to do so, the following resolution should be passed:-

RECOMMENDED that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the particular item(s) on the grounds that it (they) involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

5 **Questions from the Public under Standing Order 19**

A period of up to 15 minutes will be set aside to deal with questions to the Committee from members of the public.

Details of questions should be notified to the Corporate Manager Democratic and Civic Support at least three working days prior to the meeting. Further information and a copy of the procedure are available from Democratic Services (Committees) (01392 265115) also on the Council web site.
<http://www.exeter.gov.uk/scrutinyquestions>

6 **Questions from Members of the Council under Standing Order 20**

To receive questions from Members of the Council to appropriate Portfolio Holders.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

7 **Future Workings of Scrutiny**

To consider the report of the Corporate Manager Democratic and Civic Support. (Pages 5 - 6)

8 **Reports of Portfolio Holders**

Councillor RM Hannaford (Portfolio Holder for Housing and Customer Access) and Councillor Owen (Portfolio Holder for Environment, Health and Wellbeing) will present half year reports and take questions.

ESTIMATES, CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND FEES AND CHARGES

9 **Community - General Fund - Estimates/New Capital Bids/Fees and Charges**

To consider the report of the Assistant Director Finance. (Pages 7 - 38)

10 **Community - Housing Revenue Account - Estimates/New Capital Bids/Fees and Charges**

To consider the report of the Assistant Director Finance.

(Pages 39
- 54)

ITEM FOR EXECUTIVE

11 **Housing Rents and Service Charges 2014/15**

To consider the joint report of the Assistant Director Treasury and the Assistant Director Housing.

(Pages 55
- 58)

ITEM FOR INFORMATION ONLY

12 **Minutes of the Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Panel**

The minutes of Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Panel meetings are circulated after each meeting to Members of this Committee. Members are requested to confirm that they have no queries on the latest set of agenda/minutes circulated (those of 20 December 2013).

They are circulated in advance to enable Members to raise **before** Scrutiny Committee meetings, any issues of concern or interest which they may wish to have discussed at the Scrutiny Committee.

Date of Next Meeting

The next **Scrutiny Committee - Community** will be held on Tuesday 4 March 2014 at 5.30 pm

Future Business

The schedule of future business proposed for this Scrutiny Committee and other Committees of the Council can be viewed on the following link to the Council's website:

<http://www.exeter.gov.uk/forwardplan>

Councillors can view a hard copy of the schedule in the Members Room.

Individual reports on this agenda can be produced in large print on request to Democratic Services (Committees) on 01392 265111.