

SCRUTINY BOARD (ENVIRONMENT, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES)

**Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on
Thursday 25 November 2021 at 9.45 am**

(A pre-meeting will take place for all Members of the Board at 9.30 a.m.)

MEMBERSHIP

B Anderson (Chair)	-	Adel and Wharfedale;
J Akhtar	-	Little London and Woodhouse;
A Blackburn	-	Farnley and Wortley;
K Brooks	-	Little London and Woodhouse;
R Charlwood	-	Moortown;
D Collins	-	Horsforth
R Finnigan	-	Morley North
A Gabriel	-	Beeston & Holbeck
P Grahame	-	Crossgates and Whinmoor
C Howley	-	Weetwood;
M Midgley	-	Kippax and Methley;
D Ragan	-	Burmantofts and Richmond Hill
K Ritchie	-	Bramley and Stanningley
T Smith	-	Pudsey;

Please Note - Members of the public are now able to attend the meeting in person but please be mindful that Coronavirus is still circulating in Leeds. Therefore, even if you have had the vaccine, if you have Coronavirus symptoms: a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste, you should NOT attend the meeting and stay at home and get a PCR test. For those who are attending the meeting, please bring a face covering unless you are exempt.

Note to observers of the meeting: To remotely observe this meeting, please click on the 'To View Meeting' link which will feature on the meeting's webpage (linked below) ahead of the meeting. The webcast will become available at the commencement of the meeting.

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A G E N D A

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1			<p>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</p> <p>To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 25* of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded).</p> <p>(* In accordance with Procedure Rule 25, notice of an appeal must be received in writing by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting).</p>	
2			<p>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report. 2. To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information. 3. If so, to formally pass the following resolution:- <p>RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:</p> <p>No exempt items have been identified.</p>	

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LATE ITEMS

To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.

(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes.)

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DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor Code of Conduct'.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES

To receive any apologies for absence and notification of substitutes.

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MINUTES - 21 OCTOBER 2021

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To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21 October 2021.

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REFERRAL REQUEST: TREE MAINTENANCE

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Members are asked to consider the referral at appendix 2, along with representations from Cllrs Wadsworth and Richards, in order to determine whether or not to schedule detailed scrutiny of this issue later in the municipal year.

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HOUSING STRATEGY REVIEW

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To receive the report in the name of the Head of Housing and Homelessness on the proposed approach to reviewing the Housing Strategy.

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LOCALITY WORKING AND PRIORITY NEIGHBOURHOODS

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To receive an update from the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment on the work that has taken place so far on the city's new Locality Working model and the next stage of its development.

10		<p>INQUIRY RESPONSE: TACKLING THE ANTISOCIAL USE OF FIREWORKS</p> <p>To receive a formal response to the Board’s inquiry into Tackling the Anti-Social Use of Fireworks and to receive a verbal update on the 2021 experience of Bonfire Night and Halloween.</p>	51 - 90
11		<p>LOCAL WELFARE SUPPORT SCHEME</p> <p>To receive the report in the name of the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment, which asks the Board to provide comment and recommendations relating to the further improvement of the Leeds Welfare Support Scheme.</p>	91 - 118
12		<p>WORK SCHEDULE</p> <p>To consider the Scrutiny Board’s work schedule for the 2021/22 municipal year.</p>	119 - 140
13		<p>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next public meeting of the Scrutiny Board will take place on 20 January 2022 at 10.30am. There will be a pre-meeting for all members of the Board at 10am.</p>	