

### **SCRUTINY BOARD (STRATEGY AND RESOURCES)**

# Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on Monday, 18th September, 2023 at 10.00 am

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

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### Councillors

G Almass - Beeston and Holbeck;

H Bithell - Kirkstall;

S Burke - Middleton Park;

D Chapman - Rothwell;

B Flynn - Adel and Wharfedale;

T Hinchcliffe - Bramley and Stanningley;

A Khan (Chair) - Burmantofts and Richmond Hill;

W Kidger - Morley South;

A Parnham - Armley;

M Robinson - Harewood;

E Thomson - Guiseley and Rawdon;

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## AGENDA

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1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			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).	
			(* 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).	
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			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:-	
			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:	
			No exempt items have been identified.	

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.)  DECLARATION OF INTERESTS  To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor'	
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Code of Conduct'.	
APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES	
To receive any apologies for absence and notification of substitutes.	
6 MINUTES - 17 JULY 2023	7 - 14
To confirm as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2023	
7 STAFF SURVEY ANALYSIS	15 - 26
To receive a report from the Director of Strategy and Resources providing analysis of the recently completed staff survey following a request from board members to receive this analysis.	20
8 ELECTORAL SERVICES UPDATE – 2023 ELECTION REVIEW/POSTAL VOTER VALIDATION	27 - 40
To consider a report from Electoral Services containing a review of the 2023 election and also additional information on plans for voter validation in the future.	

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9			OFFICE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT (OFLOG)	41 -
			To consider a report from the Director of Strategy and Resources on the newly established Office for Local Government (OFLOG), established by the Government to provide authoritative and accessible data and analysis about the performance of local government and to support its improvement.	58
10			WORK PROGRAMME	59 - 78
			To consider the Scrutiny Board's work schedule for the 2023/24 municipal year.	70
11			DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING	
			The next public meeting of the Board will take place on 16 October 2023 at 10.00am. There will be a pre-meeting for all board members at 9.30am.	
			THIRD PARTY RECORDING	
			Recording of this meeting is allowed to enable those not present to see or hear the proceedings either as they take place (or later) and to enable the reporting of those proceedings. A copy of the recording protocol is available from the contacts on the front of this agenda.	
			Use of Recordings by Third Parties – code of practice	
			<ul> <li>a) Any published recording should be accompanied by a statement of when and where the recording was made, the context of the discussion that took place, and a clear identification of the main speakers and their role or title.</li> <li>b) Those making recordings must not edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation or misrepresentation of the proceedings or comments made by attendees. In particular there should be no internal editing of published extracts; recordings may start at any point and end at any point but the material between those points must be complete.</li> </ul>	