Policy and Performance Advisory Committee 11 July 2023



Lewes District Council

Time and venue:

2.30 pm in Room 209/210 on the Second Floor, The Marine Workshops, Railway Quay, Newhaven, East Sussex, BN9 0ER

Membership:

Councillor Christine Brett (Chair); Councillors Janet Baah, Ciarron Clarkson, Graham Clews, Ezra Cohen, Paul Davies, Nikki Fabry, Paul Keene, Imogen Makepeace, Paul Mellor and Daniel Stewart-Roberts

Quorum: 3

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Agenda

1 Appointment of a Deputy Chair

Nominations are sought for a Deputy Chair of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee.

2 Minutes of the previous meeting (Pages 5 - 8)

Minutes of the meeting held on the 16 March 2023.

3 Apologies for absence

4 Declarations of Interest

Disclosure by councillors of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the councillor regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.

5 Urgent Items

Items not on the agenda which the Chair of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances as defined in Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972. A Supplementary Report will be circulated at the meeting to update the main Reports with any late information.

6 Written Questions from Councillors

To deal with written questions from councillors pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12.3 (page D8 of the Constitution).

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

- 7 Updates and Reports from the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee Work Programme.
 - (a) Consideration of a Southern Water Policy and Performance Advisory Committee Panel (Pages 9 - 12)
 - (b) Policy and Performance Advisory Committee Work Programme (Pages 13 14)

To receive the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee Work Programme for 2023-2024.

POLICY INPUT AND DEVELOPMENT

- 8 Requested reports due for consideration by the Cabinet on 13 July 2023 (Pages 15 20)
 - (a) Local Government Association (LGA) Peer Challenge (Pages 21 46)
 - (b) Portfolio progress and performance report quarter 4 2022-2023 (Pages 47 - 66)
 - (c) Private Housing Financial Assistance Policy 2023-2025 (Pages 67 96)
 - (d) Property and Assets update (Pages 97 106)
 - (e) Housing Development and Assets update (PART EXEMPT) (Pages 107 124)

9 Exclusion of the public

The Chief Executive considers that discussion of the following items is likely to disclose exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and may therefore need to take place in private session. The exempt information reasons are shown beneath the items listed below. Furthermore, in relation to paragraph 10 of Schedule 12A, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. (The requisite notices having been given under regulation 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.)

10 Housing Development and Assets Update - Exempt Appendix 2 (Pages 125 - 126)

Exempt reason 3 - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

11 Forward Plan of Decisions (Pages 127 - 142)

To receive the Forward Plan of the Cabinet.

12 Date of Next Meeting

To note that the next meeting of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee is scheduled to be held on 7 September 2023, in Room 209/210 on the Second Floor, Marine Workshops, Railway Quay, Newhaven, East Sussex, BN9 0ER, commencing at 2.30pm.

Information for the public

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Public participation:

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Information for councillors

Disclosure of interests:

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If a member has a DPI or other prejudicial interest he/she must leave the room when the matter is being considered (unless he/she has obtained a dispensation).

Councillor right of address:

A member of the Council may ask the Chair of a committee or sub-committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affect the District and which falls within the terms of reference of that Committee or Sub-Committee.

A member must give notice of the question to the Head of Democratic Services in writing or by electronic mail no later than close of business on the fourth working day before the meeting at which the question is to be asked.

Other participation:

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Democratic Services

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