



# Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee

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Date: Thursday 7 September 2017  
Time: 2.00pm  
Venue: Scrutiny Committee Room, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

Everyone is welcome to attend this committee meeting.

There will be a private meeting for Members at 1.30pm in Committee Room 6, Level 2 of the Town Hall Extension.

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## **Membership of the Committee**

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Councillors Ahmed Ali, Andrews, Barrett, Connolly, Davies, Hitchen, Karney, Lanchbury, Moore, Ollerhead (Chair), Pritchard, Russell, Siddiqi, A Simcock, Strong and Watson.

## Agenda

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- 1 **Urgent business**  
To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.
- 2 **Appeals**  
To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.
- 3 **Interests**  
To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If Members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.
- 4 **Minutes**  
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2017.
- 5 **[14.05 – 14.35] Revenues and Benefits Annual Update**  
Report of the Head of Revenue and Benefits  
  
This report provides performance data for the 2016/17 financial year for the Council Tax, Benefits and Business Rates Service areas.  
This report also provides an update on key areas of work and the welfare reform changes.
- 6 **[14.35 – 15.05] ICT Information and Data strategy**  
Report of the City Treasurer and the Chief Information Officer  
  
This report provides updates to the Committee on the progress of ICT delivered change and the achievements so far. It considers how the service might best support delivering the ambitions of the Council, and seeks the views of this Committee in regards to the future approach. The report will also demonstrate to the Committee the ongoing commitment ICT has to Social Value initiatives both on a local and national level.
- 7 **[15.05 – 15.35] Our Town Hall**  
Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Growth and Neighbourhoods)  
  
This report provides an update on recent progress including the appointment of the design team, the recruitment of a client team and plans to procure a management contractor through a Competitive Dialogue process. It also sets out the latest position on the decant of the building and provides an update on the communications and engagement plans for the project, including proposals around the 140th anniversary of the opening of the building and

events to mark the public closure of the building in January 2018 to enable the refurbishment works to proceed.

This is an Executive report. Members are invited to comment prior to submission to Executive.

8 **[15.35 – 15.40] Overview Report**  
Report of Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit.

This report includes a summary of key decisions due to be taken that are relevant to the Committee's remit as well as an update on actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations.

9 **[15.40 – 16.05] Central Retail Park – To follow**

10 **Exclusion of the Public**

The officers consider that the following item contains exempt information as provided for in the Local Government Access to Information Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. The Committee is recommended to agree the necessary resolutions excluding the public from the meeting during consideration of this item.

11 **[16.05 – 16.30] Central Retail Park (Public Excluded) – To follow**

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## Information about the Committee

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The Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee areas of interest include finances, Council buildings, staffing, corporate and partnership governance as well as Council tax and benefits administration.

The Council wants to consult people as fully as possible before making decisions that affect them. Members of the public do not have a right to speak at meetings but may do so if invited by the Chair. If you have a special interest in an item on the agenda and want to speak, tell the Committee Officer, who will pass on your request to the Chair. Groups of people will usually be asked to nominate a spokesperson. The Council wants its meetings to be as open as possible but occasionally there will be some confidential business. Brief reasons for confidentiality will be shown on the agenda sheet.

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