

Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday, 6 September 2022

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

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Membership of the Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee

Councillors - Simcock (Chair), Andrews, Davies, Good, Kirkpatrick, Lanchbury, B Priest, Rowles and Wheeler

Agenda

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** 7 - 14

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To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19 July 2022.

5. Call In - Capital Expenditure Hough End Master Plan

The decision of the Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer on 4 August 2022 has been called in Councillors Leech, Johnson, Good, Nunney and Bayunu in accordance with paragraph 13.3 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

The terms of the Call In are:-

"The Council has claimed that there is a need for the additional artificial pitches. Evidence of this need has never been provided, apart from anecdotal evidence that one club in Wythenshawe were struggling to find an artificial pitch to hire.

What evidence is there of this being value for money and that this will not simply put the Council in competition with other providers (usually local schools and sports clubs), who already rent out their artificial surfaces?

What evidence is there that this investment will bring a financial return to the Council without compromising other local providers, most of whom need this revenue to support their school or sports club?

What evidence is there this capital spend will contribute to Manchester being a zero-carbon city, given that projects 'will not receive approval to incur costs unless the contribution to this target is appropriate'."

A copy of the Decision Notice is attached.

Members of the Committee are asked to consider all relevant matters, debate the issues and decide which of the resolutions set out below it wishes to adopt.

- i. Support the decision
- ii. Refer back to Decision Taker (with or without recommendations)
- iii. Refer to Council (only applicable if the decision is contrary to the policy framework or contrary to or not wholly in accordance with the budget)
- **5a.** Report Capital Expenditure Hough End Master Plan
 Report of the Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer attached.

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This report provides detail on the governance and approval process for the capital expenditure related to the Hough End Masterplan.

- **5b.** Call In Protocol (for Information) 25 28 The Council's Call In Protocol is attached for information
- **5c.** Call In Managing the Process (for information)

 The Council's guide on Managing the Call In process is attached for information
- **5d.** Call In Guidance for questioning witnesses (for information) 31 32 The Council's Call In guidance is attached for information
- **6. Annual Section 106 Monitoring** 33 98 Report of the Strategic Director, Growth and Development.

This report provides an update on the Council's Section 106 (s106) activity for 2021/22 and to date and follows the report which was presented to Members at the meeting on 7 December 2021.

- 7. Property Annual Report To Follow
- 8. Ownership of Assets To Follow
- 9. Global Monitoring and Budget Position To Follow

10. Overview Report

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Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit.

This report provides the Committee with details of key decisions that fall within the Committee's remit and an update on actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations. The report also includes the Committee's work programme, which the Committee is asked to amend as appropriate and agree.

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.

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