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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

### **CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Date & Time

**Monday, 7 September 2009 10.00 a.m.**

Venue at

**Room 15, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford SG17 5TQ**

Jaki Salisbury  
**Interim Chief Executive**

To: The Chairman and Members of the CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Cllrs J G Jamieson (Chairman), J A E Clarke (Vice-Chairman), Mrs A Barker, P A Duckett, D J Hopkin, R W Johnstone, D Jones, Mrs J G Lawrence and Mrs C Turner

[Named Substitutes:

Cllrs: A R Bastable, L Birt, D Bowater, M Gibson and P Snelling]

All other Members of the Council - on request

**MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS  
MEETING**

# AGENDA

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive any apologies for absence and notification of any substitute members.

**2. MINUTES**

To agree as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 10 August 2009.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive from Members any declarations and the nature thereof in relation to:-

- (a) personal interests in any agenda item
- (b) personal and prejudicial interests in any agenda item
- (c) any political whip in relation to any items on the agenda.

**4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman and any matters of communication.

**5. PETITIONS**

To receive petitions in accordance with the scheme of public participation set out in Annex 2 in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution.

**6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS, STATEMENTS AND DEPUTATIONS**

This is an opportunity for questions, statements and deputations from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in section A4 of the Council's Constitution.

**7. CALL-IN**

To consider any matter referred to the Committee in relation to the call-in of a decision.

8. **DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW: FINANCIAL SERVICES**

To receive an overview on how the Financial Services Department works within the Corporate Resources Directorate taking account of the Council's Priorities and the Directorate's Service Plan. The overview will outline the key issues, challenges and tasks facing the Directorate in delivering the Council's priorities. (Powerpoint presentation slides will be available at the meeting.)

9. **BUDGET SETTING PROCESS 2010/2011**

To receive a presentation on the Council's approach to setting the Budget for the year 2010/2011 including the national context for local government finance, an overview of Central Bedfordshire Council's financial situation and recent and future challenges.

10. **QUARTER 1 BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION**

To receive budget and performance information in relation to Quarter 1 (report attached).

11. **TASK FORCE FEEDBACK: REVIEW OF THE PROCUREMENT STRATEGY**

The Committee will receive feedback at the meeting regarding the Procurement Task Force from Councillors Jamieson and Johnstone.

12. **REVISED WORK PROGRAMME**

To consider the revised programme of items for 2009/2010 (report attached).

13. **EXECUTIVE'S FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS**

To consider the Executive's Forward Plan of Key Decisions for the period starting 1 September 2009.

14. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 5 October 2009 at Priory House, Chicksands, Shefford starting at 10.00am.