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NOTICE OF MEETING

CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date & Time

Thursday, 29 November 2018 10.00 a.m.

Venue at

Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford

Richard Carr
Chief Executive

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

Cllrs P A Duckett (Chairman), J Chatterley (Vice-Chairman), Mrs A Barker,
Mrs C F Chapman MBE, C C Gomm, J Kane, D McVicar, T Swain and T Woodward

[Named Substitutes:

A Ryan, B Saunders, R C Stay, M A G Versallion and N Warren]

All other Members of the Council - on request

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AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence and notification of substitute members

2. **Minutes**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 20 September 2018 and to note actions taken since that meeting.

3. **Members' Interests**

To receive from Members any declarations of interest and of any political whip in relation to any agenda item.

4. **Chairman's Announcements and Communications**

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

5. **Petitions**

To receive petitions from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Part 4G of the Constitution.

6. **Questions, Statements or Deputations**

To receive any questions, statements or deputations from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Part 4G of the Constitution.

7. **Call-In**

To consider any decision of the Executive referred to this Committee for review in accordance with Part 4D of the Constitution.

8. **Requested Items**

To consider any items referred to the Committee at the request of a Member in accordance with Part 4D of the Constitution.

Reports

- | Item | Subject |
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| 9 | <p>Executive Members' Update</p> <p>To receive a brief verbal update from:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources.• The Executive Member for Assets and Housing Delivery |
| 10 | <p>Project Simplify Presentation</p> <p>To receive a verbal update on Project Simplify and how it helps with the management of recruitment.</p> |
| 11 | <p>Residents' Survey- Listening to our Customers</p> <p>To consider and comment on the Council's latest market research exercise with residents on various aspects of community life and service experience.</p> |
| 12 | <p>Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2019/20</p> <p>The Committee is asked to review and comment on the Council's Local Council Tax Support Scheme for 2019/20; and on the proposal, subject to the necessary parliamentary legislation, that the current 50% Empty Homes Premium as applied across Central Bedfordshire will be increased to 100% premium.</p> |
| 13 | <p>Equality Strategy and Action Plan 2018-2021</p> <p>To consider and comment on the review of the Council's Equality Strategy and refreshed Equality Action Plan 2018 – 2021, and provide response to the Executive.</p> |
| 14 | <p>Q1 2018/19 Performance Monitoring Report</p> <p>To receive and comment on the relevant performance monitoring information.</p> |
| 15 | <p>Task Force Report on the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Funding Review</p> <p>To provide Members with the outcomes of the scrutiny task force review into voluntary and community infrastructure funding in Central Bedfordshire, comment on the recommendations to Executive.</p> |
| 16 | <p>Work Programme 2018/19 & Executive Forward Plan</p> <p>The report provides Members with details of the currently drafted Committee work programme and the latest Executive Forward Plan.</p> |