

Overview & Scrutiny Committee



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A meeting of the **Overview & Scrutiny Committee** of North Norfolk District Council will be held in the **remotely via Zoom** on **Wednesday, 24 March 2021** at **9.30 am**.

At the discretion of the Chairman, a short break will be taken after the meeting has been running for approximately one and a half hours

Members of the public who wish to ask a question or speak on an agenda item are requested to notify the committee clerk 24 hours in advance of the meeting and arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. This is to allow time for the Committee Chair to rearrange the order of items on the agenda for the convenience of members of the public. Further information on the procedure for public speaking can be obtained from Democratic Services, Tel: 01263 516047, Email: matthew.stembrowicz@north-norfolk.gov.uk.

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Please note that Committee members will be given priority to speak during the debate of agenda items

Emma Denny
Democratic Services Manager

To: Mr N Dixon, Ms L Withington, Mr H Blathwayt, Mrs W Fredericks, Mr P Heinrich, Mr N Housden, Mr G Mancini-Boyle, Mrs E Spagnola, Mr A Varley, Mr C Cushing, Mr A Brown and Mr P Fisher

All other Members of the Council for information.
Members of the Management Team, appropriate Officers, Press and Public



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A G E N D A

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. SUBSTITUTES

3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS

To receive questions / statements from the public, if any.

4. MINUTES

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To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 10th February 2021.

5. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

To determine any other items of business which the Chairman decides should be considered as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked at this stage to declare any interests that they may have in any of the following items on the agenda. The Code of Conduct for Members requires that declarations include the nature of the interest and whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest.

7. PETITIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

To consider any petitions received from members of the public.

8. CONSIDERATION OF ANY MATTER REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE BY A MEMBER

To consider any requests made by non-executive Members of the Council, and notified to the Monitoring Officer with seven clear working days' notice, to include an item on the agenda of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Cllr N Dixon requested that the Committee consider the loss of thirty-eight affordable homes at Cley Road, Holt.

9. RESPONSES OF THE COUNCIL OR THE CABINET TO THE COMMITTEE'S REPORTS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

To consider any responses of the Council or the Cabinet to the Committee's reports or recommendations:

None to report.

10. CRIME AND DISORDER BRIEFING

To receive a briefing on crime, disorder and policing in North Norfolk during the Covid-19 pandemic.

11. BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2020/21 – PERIOD 10

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Summary: This report summarises the budget monitoring position for the revenue account and capital programme to the end of January 2021. The report also provides an update on the financial impact of Covid-19 on the Council's Financial position.

Options considered: Not applicable.

Conclusions: The overall position at the end of January 2021 shows an £8,443,191 underspend for the current financial year on the revenue account, this is however currently expected to deliver a full year overspend of £164,729 which, as per the previous COVID update, is to be funded from the General Fund reserve if required.

Recommendations: **It is recommended that Cabinet:**

- 1) **note the contents of the report and the current budget monitoring position;**
- 2) **agree to fund any deficit from the General Fund reserve at the year-end if required**
- 3) **Approve the capital programme funding as identified from reserves.**

Reasons for Recommendations:

To update Members on the current budget monitoring position for the Council.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS AS REQUIRED BY LAW

(Papers relied on to write the report and which do not contain exempt information)

System budget monitoring reports

Cabinet Member(s)	Ward(s) affected
Cllr Eric Seward	All

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12. SHERINGHAM LEISURE CENTRE PROJECT UPDATE: MARCH 2021

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To receive and note the update on the Sheringham Leisure Project.

13. PRE-SCRUTINY: NORTH NORFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION STRATEGY 2021-2025 53 - 66

Summary: All public authorities are required to publish one or more equality objectives, at least every four years, which they think should help them to meet the aims of the Public Sector Equality Duty. In addition the Equality Act 2010 requires that people be treated fairly at work or when using services. The Equality strategy sets out the Council's commitment to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and four key equality objectives which the Council will seek to deliver against over the next four years.

Options considered: The Council is legally required to publish its Equality objectives and it has been considered that the best way to do this is in the form of an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy.

Conclusions: To recommend to Full Council the formal adoption of the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy 2021-2025

Recommendations: **To recommend to Full Council the formal adoption of the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy 2021-2025**

Reasons for Recommendations: The Council is legally required to publish its Equality objectives and it has been considered that the best way to do this is in the form of an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy. The Strategy will need to be formally adopted by Full Council

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None

Cabinet Member(s) Ward(s) affected – all

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WORK PROGRAMMES

14. THE CABINET WORK PROGRAMME 67 - 70

To note the upcoming Cabinet Work Programme.

15. OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME AND UPDATE 71 - 78

To receive an update from the Scrutiny Officer on progress made with topics on its agreed work programme, training updates and to receive any further information which Members may have requested at a previous meeting.

16. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To pass the following resolution, if necessary:

“That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph _ of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to the Act.”