



Wednesday, 7 February 2024

To All Councillors:

As a Member or Substitute of the **Governance & Resources Committee**, please treat this as your summons to attend a meeting on **Thursday**, **15 February 2024** at **6.00 pm** in the **Council Chamber**, **Town Hall**, **Matlock**, **DE4 3NN**

Yours sincerely,

Helen Mitchell

Director of Corporate and Customer Services

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Please advise the Democratic Services Team on 01629 761133 or email committee@derbyshiredales.gov.uk of any apologies for absence.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 5 - 10)

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3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To enable members of the public to ask questions, express views or present petitions, IF NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN, (by telephone, in writing or by email) BY NO LATER THAN

12 NOON OF THE WORKING DAY PRECEDING THE MEETING. As per Procedural Rule 14.4 at any one meeting no person may submit more than 3 questions and no more than 1 such question may be asked on behalf of one organisation.

4. INTERESTS

Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any interests they may have in subsequent agenda items in accordance with the District Council's Code of Conduct. Those interests are matters that relate to money or that which can be valued in money, affecting the Member, her/his partner, extended family and close friends. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at the time.

5. QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE OF PROCEDURE NUMBER 15

To answer questions from Members who have given the appropriate notice.

6. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REPORT 2023/24 (Pages 11 - 26)

This report summarises treasury management activities for the first six months of 2023/24 and seeks approval for the Treasury Management Mid-Year report for 2023/24.

7. FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2024/25 (Pages 27 - 98)

This report seeks approval for proposed fees and charges for 2024/25 in respect of Community and Environmental Services, Corporate and Customer Services and Regulatory Services.

8. EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S COMPLETION REPORT AND ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (Pages 99 - 174)

These reports summarise work undertaken and the key findings arising from the external auditor's work in relation to the Authority's financial statements for 2022/23.

9. LETTER OF REPRESENTATION 2022/23 (Pages 175 - 184)

This report requests that Members consider and endorse the draft Letter of Representation as part of their responsibility for approving the financial statements for 2022/23.

10. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2022/23 (Pages 185 - 320)

This report provides interpretation of the Statement of Accounts for 2022/22 and highlights the key issues. The report also requests approval of the Statement of Accounts for 2022/23.

11. DERBYSHIRE DALES CORPORATE PLAN: WORKING GROUPS (Pages 321 - 328)

The report updates Members on progress made by Corporate Plan Working Group, established by Council on 14 December 2023, which is under the remit of this committee.

12. COMPLAINT AGAINST THE DISTRICT COUNCIL, LESSONS LEARNED AND MOVING FORWARD (Pages 329 - 416)

This report details the summary findings and wider organisational learnings following a complaint submitted to the Council in September 2023 which was shared with all 34 Members of the District Council.

13. REVIEW OF THE WHISTLEBLOWING POLICY (Pages 417 - 432)

This report provides an overview of the proposed implementation of a revised Whistleblowing Policy and seeks approval and adoption of the revised policy.

<u>Members of the Committee</u> - Councillors Nick Wilton (Chair), Neil Buttle (Vice-Chair), Geoff Bond, Steve Flitter, David Hughes, Stuart Lees, Lucy Peacock, Simon Ripton and Roger Shelley

Substitutes – Councillors David Chapman, Marilyn Franks, Joanne Linthwaite, Laura Mellstrom and Andy Nash

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