

A meeting of the **OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL (ECONOMIC WELL-BEING)** will be held in **CVSO.1A, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON PE29 3TN** on **THURSDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2013** at **7:00 PM** and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

**Contact
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APOLOGIES

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 28th November 2013. **(TO FOLLOW)**.

**Mrs C Bulman
388234**

2. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

To receive from Members declarations as to disclosable pecuniary, non disclosable pecuniary or non pecuniary interests in relation to any Agenda Item.

3. NOTICE OF KEY EXECUTIVE DECISIONS (Pages 1 - 4)

A copy of the current Notice of Executive Key Decisions, which was published on 14th November 2013 is attached. Members are invited to comment as appropriate on any items contained therein.

**Mrs H Taylor
388008**

4. NATIONAL NON DOMESTIC RATES - CHANGES TO DISCRETIONARY RELIEF POLICY (Pages 5 - 8)

To consider a report by the Head of Customer Services.

**J Barber
388105**

5. BUDGET UPDATE (Pages 9 - 22)

To consider a report by the Assistant Director (Finance & Resources).

**S Couper
388103
C Mason
388157**

(All Members of the Council have been invited to attend for the discussion on this item).

6. TREASURY MANAGEMENT REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE : 6 MONTHLY REVIEW (Pages 23 - 30)

To consider a report by the Assistant Director (Finance & Resources).

**S Couper
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C Mason
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7. **WORKPLAN STUDIES** (Pages 31 - 32)

To consider with the aid of a report by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, the programme of studies being undertaken by the other Overview and Scrutiny Panels.

Mrs C Bulman
388234

8. **OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY (ECONOMIC WELL-BEING) - PROGRESS** (Pages 33 - 36)

To consider a report by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services detailing progress on the Panel's activities.

Mrs C Bulman
388234

9. **SCRUTINY**

To scrutinise decisions taken since the last meeting as set out in the Decision Digest and to raise any other matters for scrutiny that fall within the remit of the Panel **(TO FOLLOW)**.

Dated this 27 day of November 2013



Head of Paid Service

Notes

1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

- (1) *Members are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests and unless you have obtained dispensation, cannot discuss or vote on the matter at the meeting and must also leave the room whilst the matter is being debated or voted on.*
- (2) *A Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest if it -*
 - (a) *relates to you, or*
 - (b) *is an interest of -*
 - (i) *your spouse or civil partner; or*
 - (ii) *a person with whom you are living as husband and wife; or*
 - (iii) *a person with whom you are living as if you were civil partners*

and you are aware that the other person has the interest.
- (3) *Disclosable pecuniary interests includes -*
 - (a) *any employment or profession carried out for profit or gain;*
 - (b) *any financial benefit received by the Member in respect of expenses incurred carrying out his or her duties as a Member (except from the Council);*
 - (c) *any current contracts with the Council;*
 - (d) *any beneficial interest in land/property within the Council's area;*
 - (e) *any licence for a month or longer to occupy land in the Council's area;*
 - (f) *any tenancy where the Council is landlord and the Member (or person in (2)(b) above) has a beneficial interest; or*
 - (g) *a beneficial interest (above the specified level) in the shares of any body which has a place of business or land in the Council's area.*

Other Interests

(4) *If a Member has a non-disclosable pecuniary interest or a non-pecuniary interest then you are required to declare that interest, but may remain to discuss and vote.*

(5) *A Member has a non-disclosable pecuniary interest or a non-pecuniary interest where -*

(a) a decision in relation to the business being considered might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial standing of you or a member of your family or a person with whom you have a close association to a greater extent than it would affect the majority of the council tax payers, rate payers or inhabitants of the ward or electoral area for which you have been elected or otherwise of the authority's administrative area, or

(b) it relates to or is likely to affect any of the descriptions referred to above, but in respect of a member of your family (other than specified in (2)(b) above) or a person with whom you have a close association

and that interest is not a disclosable pecuniary interest.

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