

Public Document Pack



Chairman and Members of the Executive

Your contact: Katie Mogan
Ext: 1441
Date: 21 September 2021

cc. All other recipients of the Executive agenda

Dear Councillor

EXECUTIVE - 28 SEPTEMBER 2021

Please find attached the following reports which were marked "to follow" on the agenda for the above meeting:

5. Update from Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Pages 3 - 4)

To receive a report of the Committee Chairman.

6. Update from Audit and Governance Committee (Pages 5 - 6)

To receive a report of the Committee Chairman.

Please bring these papers with you to the meeting next Tuesday

Yours faithfully

Katie Mogan
Democratic Services Manager

Katie Mogan@eastherts.gov.uk

MEETING : EXECUTIVE
VENUE : COUNCIL CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS, HERTFORD
DATE : TUESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2021
TIME : 7.00 PM

Update from Cllr John Wyllie, Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee last met on 7 September and considered a number of items but specifically the substantive item on the Executive agenda relating to the East Herts Tenancy Strategy. A number of questions were submitted to the Portfolio Holder in advance to which O&S Members received a response at the meeting.

At the meeting, Members referred to the difficulties younger people are having getting on to the housing ladder, the conditions of single people in housing need and what can be done to help them, the need to link the Tenancy Strategy and the Housing Strategy, the Council's progress in achieving affordable housing targets, levels of Local Housing Allowance (at 70%) and how little influence the Council has to adapt this to local need to support residents and the costs associated with keeping people in Bed and Breakfast accommodation when the Council no longer has Council houses.

Bearing in mind these comments, Members supported the Tenancy Strategy.

This page is intentionally left blank

Update from Cllr Mark Pope, Chairman of the Audit & Governance Committee

The Audit and Governance Committee last met on Tuesday 14 September and the following business was transacted in relation to the items on the Executive agenda:

- The Committee reviewed the Q1 Strategic Risk Register and the Committee recommended that the Executive should review the register on a regular basis. The Committee also asked officers to consider increasing the “Likelihood” score for the risk relating to the “performance, resilience and security of IT systems” from a 3 to the highest level, 4.
- The Committee received a report on the Council’s financial monitoring as at 30 June 2021. It was noted that the net revenue budget for 2021/22 was £11.056m and that this was funded through Council Tax. It was further noted that the forecast outturn, as at 30 June 2021, predicted an overspend of £82k at the year end.
- With regard to the revised capital budget for 2021/22, it was noted that this stood at £50.038m, which included £4.271m that was proposed to be carried forward from 2020/21.
- With regard to provisional outturn figures for 2020/21, it was noted that the General Fund revenue outturn overspend of £116k would be funded from the General Reserve. It was recommended that revenue budgets of £414k (relating principally to IT projects) be carried forward to 2021/22 and that capital budgets of £4.271m also be carried forward to 2021/2022.

This page is intentionally left blank