

# TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

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To: MEMBERS OF THE HOUSING AND PLANNING SCRUTINY SELECT

COMMITTEE

(Copies to all Members of the Council)

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Housing and Planning Scrutiny Select Committee to be held in the Council Chamber, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill on Tuesday, 24th September, 2024 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Members of the Committee are required to attend in person. Other Members may attend in person or participate online via MS Teams.

Information on how to observe the meeting will be published on the Council's website.

Yours faithfully

DAMIAN ROBERTS

Chief Executive

#### AGENDA

1. Guidance for the Conduct of Meetings

#### PART 1 - PUBLIC

- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Notification of Substitute Members

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4. Declarations of interest

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Members are reminded of their obligation under the Council's Code of Conduct to disclose any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests in any matter(s) to be considered or being considered at the meeting. These are explained in the Code of Conduct on the Council's website at <a href="Code of conduct for members">Code of conduct for members — Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council (tmbc.gov.uk)</a>.

Members in any doubt about such declarations are advised to contact Legal or Democratic Services in advance of the meeting.

5. Minutes 13 - 18

To confirm as a correct record the Notes of the meeting of the Housing and Planning Scrutiny Select Committee held on 21 May 2024.

### **Matters for Corporate Monitoring**

6. Corporate Key Performance Indicators

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This report provides data on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that are aligned to the Corporate Strategy 2023-2027 and monitored on a quarterly or annual basis. The data provided in this report relates to the period up to the end of June 2024.

#### **Matters submitted for Information**

7. Implications of the Proposed Reforms to the National Planning 29 - 144
Policy Framework and Other Changes to the Planning System
Consultation

This report invites Members to note the Borough Council's response to the Government's 'Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other changes to the planning system' consultation and the potential implications of a revised NPPF on the Borough Council's plan-making process and timetable, and informs Members of the potential items that were intended to be presented to the Committee at a future meeting.

8. Identification of Saving Options

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Following discussion at Cabinet on 3 September 2024, Members of the three Scrutiny Select Committees and the Overview & Scrutiny Committee are invited to propose options for evaluation in the forthcoming months to assist in bridging the current funding gap identified in the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

The Work Programme setting out matters to be scrutinised during 2024/25 is attached for information. Members can suggest future items by liaising with the Chair of the Committee.

## 10. Urgent Items

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Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive

#### **Matters for consideration in Private**

#### 11. Exclusion of Press and Public

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The Chairman to move that the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting during consideration of any items the publication of which would disclose exempt information.

## **PART 2 - PRIVATE**

### 12. Urgent Items

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Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent due to special circumstances and of which notice has been given to the Chief Executive.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Cllr D A S Davis (Chair) Cllr D W King (Vice-Chair)

Cllr Mrs S Bell
Cllr G C Bridge
Cllr S M Hammond
Cllr W E Palmer
Cllr P M Hickmott
Cllr M A J Hood
Cllr S A Hudson
Cllr S Cllr D Thornewell