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**TO: COUNCILLORS A YATES (CHAIRMAN), R MOLLOY (VICE-CHAIRMAN),
I DAVIS, Y GAGEN, D WESTLEY AND D WHITTINGTON**

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the **BUDGET / COUNCIL PLAN COMMITTEE** will be held in the **CABINET/COMMITTEE ROOM, 52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK L39 2DF** on **WEDNESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2022 at 7.00 PM** at which your attendance is requested.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JS', written over a horizontal line.

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AGENDA
(Open to the Public)

- 1. APOLOGIES**
- 2. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE**
To be apprised of any changes to the membership of the Committee in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.
- 3. URGENT BUSINESS**
Note, no other business is permitted unless, by reason of special circumstances, which shall be specified at the meeting, the Chairman is of the opinion that the item(s) should be considered as a matter of urgency.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If a Member requires advice on Declarations of Interest, he/she is advised to contact the Legal and Democratic Services Manager in advance of the meeting. (For the assistance of members a checklist for use in considering their position on any particular item is included at the end of this agenda sheet).

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

As this is the first meeting of the Committee, there are no minutes to receive.

6. TERMS OF REFERENCE

To consider the draft Terms of Reference of the Committee, as follows:

Functions

- (i) To oversee development or annual refresh of the Council Plan for the forthcoming year/s and make recommendations to Cabinet & Council.
- (ii) To monitor performance towards achievement of the Council Plan and make recommendations to Cabinet & Council, when required
- (iii) To approve the Annual Council Plan report, which provides details of actions undertaken from the previous year, prior to publication.
- (iv) To review the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and make recommendations to Cabinet & Council, when required.
- (v) To monitor the GRA (General Revenue Account) and HRA (Housing Revenue Account) and the capital programme and make recommendations to Cabinet & Council, when required.
- (vi) To monitor the Treasury Management Performance & Prudential Indicators.
- (vii) To consider annual budget setting matters, i.e. Council Tax, GRA (General Revenue Account) and HRA (Housing Revenue Account) requirements and the Capital Programme and make recommendations to Cabinet & Council.

(Note:

1. In accordance with Constitution 7: Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules, recommendations from this Committee, will be considered by Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet, prior to the full Council meeting.
2. Delegations are in place to allow Service Heads to vire across budget heads where each individual virement does not exceed £10,000 and the Cabinet can approve virement in the revenue and capital budgets of up to £50,000, where the new activity accords with the Council's Policies and Objectives.)

7. COUNCIL PLAN DEVELOPMENT TIMETABLE

To consider the report of the Corporate Director of Transformation,

Housing & Resources.

8. **MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL FORECAST (MTFF) 2023/24 TO 2025/26** 11 - 30
To note the report of the Head of Finance, Procurement & Commercial Services submitted to Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 6 September and Cabinet on 13 September 2022 and consider the future work of the Committee in respect of budget matters. A copy of the minutes are attached for information.
9. **WORK PROGRAMME** 31 - 32
To consider and note the Committee Work Programme 2022-2023.

We can provide this document, upon request, on audiotape, in large print, in Braille and in other languages.

FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE: Please see attached sheet.

MOBILE PHONES: These should be switched off or to 'silent' at all meetings.

For further information, please contact:-

Jacky Denning, Democratic Services Manager on 01695 585384

Or email Member.Services@westlancs.gov.uk

**FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE FOR:
COUNCIL MEETINGS WHERE OFFICERS ARE PRESENT
(52 DERBY STREET, ORMSKIRK)**

PERSON IN CHARGE: Most Senior Officer Present
ZONE WARDEN: Member Services Officer / Lawyer
DOOR WARDEN(S) Usher / Caretaker

IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE

1. Operate the nearest **FIRE CALL POINT** by breaking the glass.
2. Attack the fire with the extinguishers provided only if you have been trained and it is safe to do so. **Do not** take risks.

ON HEARING THE FIRE ALARM

1. Leave the building via the **NEAREST SAFE EXIT**. **Do not stop** to collect personal belongings.
2. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** on the car park and report your presence to the **PERSON IN CHARGE**.
3. **Do NOT** return to the premises until authorised to do so by the **PERSON IN CHARGE**.

NOTES:

Officers are required to direct all visitors regarding these procedures i.e. exit routes and place of assembly.

The only persons not required to report to the Assembly Point are the Door Wardens.

CHECKLIST FOR PERSON IN CHARGE

1. Advise other interested parties present that you are the person in charge in the event of an evacuation.
2. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire escape routes and inform any interested parties of the escape routes.
3. Make yourself familiar with the location of the assembly point and inform any interested parties of that location.
4. Make yourself familiar with the location of the fire alarm and detection control panel.
5. Ensure that the zone warden and door wardens are aware of their roles and responsibilities.
6. Arrange for a register of attendance to be completed (if considered appropriate / practicable).

IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE, OR THE FIRE ALARM BEING SOUNDED

1. Ensure that the room in which the meeting is being held is cleared of all persons.
2. Evacuate via the nearest safe Fire Exit and proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** in the car park.
3. Delegate a person at the **ASSEMBLY POINT** who will proceed to **HOME CARE LINK** in order to ensure that a back-up call is made to the **FIRE BRIGADE**.
4. Delegate another person to ensure that **DOOR WARDENS** have been posted outside the relevant Fire Exit Doors.

5. Ensure that the **ZONE WARDEN** has reported to you on the results of his checks, **i.e.** that the rooms in use have been cleared of all persons.
6. If an Attendance Register has been taken, take a **ROLL CALL**.
7. Report the results of these checks to the Fire and Rescue Service on arrival and inform them of the location of the **FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL**.
8. Authorise return to the building only when it is cleared to do so by the **FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE OFFICER IN CHARGE**. Inform the **DOOR WARDENS** to allow re-entry to the building.

NOTE:

The Fire Alarm system will automatically call the Fire Brigade. The purpose of the 999 back-up call is to meet a requirement of the Fire Precautions Act to supplement the automatic call.

CHECKLIST FOR ZONE WARDEN

1. Carry out a physical check of the rooms being used for the meeting, including adjacent toilets, kitchen.
2. Ensure that **ALL PERSONS**, both officers and members of the public are made aware of the **FIRE ALERT**.
3. Ensure that **ALL PERSONS** evacuate **IMMEDIATELY**, in accordance with the **FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE**.
4. Proceed to the **ASSEMBLY POINT** and report to the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that the rooms within your control have been cleared.
5. Assist the **PERSON IN CHARGE** to discharge their duties.

It is desirable that the **ZONE WARDEN** should be an **OFFICER** who is normally based in this building and is familiar with the layout of the rooms to be checked.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOOR WARDENS

1. Stand outside the **FIRE EXIT DOOR(S)**
2. Keep the **FIRE EXIT DOOR SHUT**.
3. Ensure that **NO PERSON**, whether staff or public enters the building until **YOU** are told by the **PERSON IN CHARGE** that it is safe to do so.
4. If anyone attempts to enter the premises, report this to the **PERSON IN CHARGE**.
5. Do not leave the door **UNATTENDED**.