



**MANCHESTER**  
CITY COUNCIL

## **Resources and Governance Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

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**Date: Thursday 4 March 2010**

**Time: 10.00 am**

**Venue: Committee Room 11, Level 1, Town Hall**

**Note:**

There will be no pre-meeting for this meeting.

### **Membership of the Committee:**

Councillors -

F Bhatti  
M Clayton  
C Glover  
E Lomax  
E McCulley  
P Morrison

P Murphy  
T Parkinson  
D Sandiford  
N Swannick  
A Trotman  
M Watson

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The Resources and Governance Overview and Scrutiny Committee has responsibility for looking at how the Council and partners make the best use of their resources and deliver good value services.

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**Sir Howard Bernstein**  
**Chief Executive**

**Town Hall, Albert Square**  
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# Agenda

## 1. Urgent business

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

## 2. Appeals

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

## 3. Interests

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that interest at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

## 4. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meetings held on 4 and 22 February 2010.

## 5. Use of Bailiffs

Report of the City Treasurer

This report sets out the Council's use of bailiff companies to recover debts owed to the Council. Mr Wolfe, who has written to the Council to explain his views on this subject, has been invited to attend the meeting.

## 6. Preparations for the 2011 Census

Report of the City Treasurer

This report reviews progress made in undertaking activity which will support the Office of National Statistic in the delivery of an effective Census in 2011 and provide assurance to the City Council that the results are as expected.

## 7. AGMA Improvement and Efficiency Commission

Report of the Director of Transformation

This report provides an overview of the AGMA Improvement and Efficiency Commission, and in particular focuses on the work being carried out as part of the Greater Manchester Collaborative Efficiency Plan.

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## **8. Software Licence Agreement**

Report of the Chief Information Officer

This report appraises the Committee on the procurement of an organisation wide software licence agreement with Microsoft.

## **9 A. Local Area Agreement - Quarter Three Performance Report**

Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Performance)

This report is the quarter three performance report on Manchester's Local Area Agreement. The report documents performance of the Local Area Agreement basket of indicators for the period 1 April to the 31 December 2009.

## **9 B Local Area Agreement – Review and Refresh – To Follow**

Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Performance)

## **10. Information and Overview Report**

Report of the City Solicitor

This report sets out key decisions which fall within the Committee's remit which are due to be taken in the near future and responses to recommendations the Committee has made. Members are asked to note the Comprehensive Area Assessment Action Plan and agree the work programme for the Committee.

Two further notes for information will follow.