



MANCHESTER
CITY COUNCIL

Resources and Governance Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday 18 November 2010
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Committee Room 11, Level 1, Town Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend this committee meeting.
There is a private pre-meeting for Members at 9.30 am in Committee Room 2.

Membership of the Committee

Councillors -

F Bhatti, M Clayton, B Fisher, C Glover, P Morrison, P Murphy, E Newman, D Sandiford, N Swannick, A Trotman, M Watson (Chair)

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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 meeting held on 21 October 2010 (enclosed).	1
5 10:00 – 10:45 – Participation in the Greater Manchester Pension Fund (Reports of the City Treasurer and Executive Director of Pensions, Greater Manchester Pension Fund are included) The Committee is invited to discuss and comment on these reports which cover the operation of and developments to the Greater Manchester Pension Fund in the context of other public sector pension schemes.	6
6 10:45 – 10:55 - Information and Overview Report (Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit) This report includes extracts from the Forward Plan as it relates to the Committee's remit as well as an update on actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations. There is a note for information about the number of participants in the consultation on the St Peter's Square design competition. The report also includes the Committee's work programme, and the Committee is asked to agree this.	28

- 7 **10:55 – 11:45 – Business Plan Self Assessments – To Follow**
(Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Performance) and City Treasurer) -
- The report introduces the four business plan self assessments selected for review by this committee at its October meeting. The report also provides an update on the next steps in the business planning process. The following self assessments are included:
- A) – Corporate Procurement
 - B) – Financial Management
 - C) – Human Resources and Organisational Development
 - D) – Revenue and Benefits
- 8 **11:45 – 12:20 – 2010/11 Highway Services Budget Breakdown and Overview** 49
(Report of the Head of Highway Services)
- This report aims to provide RAGOS with a clear breakdown on the 2010/11 Highways budgets, including:
- List of available funding sources making up capital and revenue budgets;
 - For each budget heading, information on what it is used for and constraints on spending;
 - For both revenue and capital budgets, provision of staff costs;
 - Information on contracts in place delivering the highways services.
- 9 **12:20 – Neighbourhood Funding Strategy Update** 59
(Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Performance))
- This report provides members with an update on the current status of NFS proposals.

Information about the Committee

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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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