

# POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday 21 July 2020

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Remote Meeting - The public proceedings of the meeting will be broadcast live and recorded for playback on the Maidstone Borough Council website.

Membership:

Councillors Mrs Blackmore, M Burton, Chappell-Tay, Clark, Cox (Chairman), English, Mrs Gooch, Harvey, McKay, Mortimer, Newton, Perry (Vice-Chairman), Purle, Round and Springett

*The Chairman will assume that all Members will read the reports before attending the meeting. Officers are asked to assume the same when introducing reports.*

---

| <b><u>AGENDA</u></b>  | <b><u>Page No.</u></b> |
|---|------------------------|
| 1. Apologies for Absence  |                        |
| 2. Notification of Substitute Members   |                        |
| 3. Urgent Items   |                        |
| 4. Notification of Visiting Members   |                        |
| 5. Disclosures by Members and Officers  |                        |
| 6. Disclosures of Lobbying  |                        |
| 7. To consider whether any items should be taken in private because of the possible disclosure of exempt information. |                        |
| 8. Minutes of the Meeting Held on 24 June 2020  | 1 - 9                  |
| 9. Presentation of Petitions (if any)   |                        |
| 10. Questions and answer session for members of the public (if any)   |                        |
| 11. Questions from Members to the Chairman (if any)   |                        |
| 12. Committee Work Programme  | 10 - 11                |
| 13. Council-Led Garden Community Update   | 12 - 94                |

---

**Issued on Monday 13 July 2020**

**Continued Over/:**

*Alison Broom*

**Alison Broom, Chief Executive**

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| 14. Corporate Planning Timetable 2020-21   | 95 - 107  |
| 15. Communication and Engagement Strategy - Action Plan 2020-21  | 108 - 142 |
| 16. Equalities Objectives and Action Plan – Update   | 143 - 161 |
| 17. Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2021-22 Part 1  | 162 - 176 |
| 18. Financial Impact of Covid-19 and Development of the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2021/22-2025/26 | 177 - 223 |

## PART II

**To move that the public be excluded for the items set out in Part II of the Agenda because of the likely disclosure of exempt information for the reasons specified having applied the Public Interest Test.**

|   | <b>Head of<br/>Schedule 12 A<br/>and Brief<br/>Description</b>   |           |
|---|--|-----------|
| 19. Part II Appendices, Council-Led Garden Community Update | Paragraph 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). | 224 - 234 |

### **INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC**

In order to ask a question at this remote meeting, please call **01622 602899** or email [committee@maidstone.gov.uk](mailto:committee@maidstone.gov.uk) by 5 p.m. one clear working day before the meeting (i.e. by 5 p.m. on Friday 17 July 2020). You will need to provide the full text in writing.

If your question is accepted, you will be provided with instructions as to how you can access the meeting.

In order to submit a written statement in relation to an item on the agenda, please call **01622 602899** or email [committee@maidstone.gov.uk](mailto:committee@maidstone.gov.uk) by 5 p.m. one clear working day before the meeting (i.e. by 5 p.m. on Friday 17 July 2020). You will need to tell us which agenda item you wish to comment on.

If you require this information in an alternative format please contact us, call **01622 602899** or email [committee@maidstone.gov.uk](mailto:committee@maidstone.gov.uk).

To find out more about the work of the Committee, please visit [www.maidstone.gov.uk](http://www.maidstone.gov.uk).