

# AGENDA

## SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 28 January 2015

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT

Membership:

Councillors Sylvia Bennett, Andy Booth (Chairman), Lloyd Bowen (Vice-Chairman), Jackie Constable, John Coulter, Mark Ellen, June Garrad, Mike Haywood, Mike Henderson, Peter Marchington, Prescott, Ben Stokes and Ghlin Whelan

Quorum = 4

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	Pages
1. Apologies for Absence and Confirmation of Substitutes	
2. Minutes	
To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 January 2014 (Minute Nos. 421 - 428) as a correct record.	
3. Declarations of Interest	
Councillors should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves or their spouse, civil partner or person with whom they are living with as a spouse or civil partner. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships.	
The Chairman will ask Members if they have any interests to declare in respect of items on this agenda, under the following headings:	
(a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) under the Localism Act 2011. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DPI, the Member must leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion or vote. This applies even if there is provision for public speaking.	
(b) Disclosable Non Pecuniary (DNPI) under the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council in May 2012. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DNPI interest, the Member may stay, speak and vote on the matter.	
<b>Advice to Members:</b> If any Councillor has any doubt about the existence or nature of any DPI or DNPI which he/she may have in any	

item on this agenda, he/she should seek advice from the Director of Corporate Services as Monitoring Officer, the Head of Legal or from other Solicitors in Legal Services as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

4. Draft Budget 2015/16

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To review the draft budget 2015/16 and make the necessary recommendations to the Cabinet on 4 February 2015. The Head of Finance, Cabinet Members, Management Team and Heads of Service have been invited to the meeting to assist with the review.

The Medium Term Financial Plan and 2015/16 Revenue and Capital Budgets report, a Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement 2015/16 and 2016/17 update and the draft Budget Book have been attached.

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