

# Agenda

Meeting: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 9 November 2021

Time: **7.00 pm** 

Place: Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone

To: All members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The committee will consider the matters, listed below, at the date, time and place shown above. The meeting will be open to the press and public.

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## 1. Apologies for Absence

## 2. Declarations of Interest (Pages 3 - 4)

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- a) disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI);
- b) other significant interests (OSI);
- c) voluntary announcements of other interests.

## 3. Minutes (Pages 5 - 12)

To consider and approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2021.

# 4. Refresh of the Council's Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults Safeguarding Policy (Pages 13 - 50)

Report OS/21/08 - The Council is part of the statutory safeguarding role within the wider public sector, with responsibilities to children, young people and vulnerable adults. The children, young people and vulnerable adults safeguarding policy of the Council has been updated and is attached at Appendix A. The Overview & Scrutiny Committee are advised that the safeguarding policy is refreshed every two years and that the changes made to the 2019 policy include new legislation and changes to practice that are incorporated in the 2021 policy.

# 5. **Budget 2022/23**

A presentation will be provided to the group outlining the key steps of the budget setting process, opportunities for Members to consider proposals and to input into the process as well as a discussion on public consultation.