

# Agenda

Meeting: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 26 April 2022

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 5 - 6)

Members of the committee should declare any interests which fall under the following categories:

- a) disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI);
- b) other significant interests (OSI);

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c) voluntary announcements of other interests.

### 3. Minutes (Pages 7 - 10)

To consider and approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 15 February 2022.

### 4. Minutes of the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Sub Committee (Pages 11 - 14)

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2022.

# 5. Annual report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2021-22 (Pages 15 - 26)

This report sets out the work that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Finance and Performance Sub-Committee have completed during 2021-2022.

### 6. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2022-23 (Pages 27 - 38)

This report sets out a proposed work programme for Overview and Scrutiny work for the municipal year 22/23.

### 7. Income and Debt Management Policy (Pages 39 - 78)

This report is seeking a decision to adopt the proposed changes to the Income and Debt Management Policy and bring to Cabinet.

#### 8. **Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order (Pages 79 - 102)**

On 23 February 2022, Cabinet agreed to consult the public on the new Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO). The Dog Control PSPOs provides authorised council officers effective means to enforcement against irresponsible dog ownership and related anti-social behaviour.

The public consultation exercise ends on 4 May 2022 and the purpose of this report is to give the Overview and Scrutiny Committee the opportunity to give feedback to be included in the consultation.

### 9. Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Public Spaces Protection Order (Pages 103 - 110)

On 23 March 2022, Cabinet agreed to consult the public on the renewal of the Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) and to retain the seven measures included within the order as unchanged. The renewal of the PSPOs provides authorised council officers and Kent Police with an additional tool in conjunction with the existing powers and legislation to help tackle specific issues of antisocial behaviour affecting parts of the District.

The public consultation exercise ends on 5 May 2022 and the purpose of this report is to give the Overview and Scrutiny Committee the opportunity to give feedback to be included in the consultation.

# 10. Housing Repairs and Maintenance Policy and Rechargeable Repairs Policy (Pages 111 - 152)

Report OS/21/19 sets out the rationale for the development and adoption of two housing policies, vital for the continued growth of the housing service, and the effective management and delivery of repairs and maintenance under FHDC.