

Meeting: **Overview and Scrutiny Committee**
Date: **8 November 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.

Members of the committee, who wish to have information on any matter arising on the agenda, which is not fully covered in these papers, are requested to give notice, prior to the meeting, to the Chairman or appropriate officer.

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Please note there are 37 seats available for members of the public, which will be reserved for those speaking or participating at the meeting. The remaining available seats will be given on a first come, first served basis.

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest (Pages 3 - 4)**

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

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

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3. **Minutes (Pages 5 - 10)**

To consider and approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 6 September 2022.

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

To consider and approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2022.

5. **Otterpool Park LLP Business Plan 2023-24**

A presentation on the strategic business plan for Otterpool Park Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) will be provided by the LLP Managing Director. The presentation will provide commentary on progress achieved to date and set out the proposed priorities, key milestones and finances for the LLP for 2023-24. The presentation will provide the opportunity for the Committee to feedback ahead of Cabinet considering the draft updated Business Plan in January 2023.

6. **Medium Term Financial Strategy**

The Finance team await details of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Medium Term Fiscal Plan, originally due on 31 October 2022. The Plan will be used to inform a presentation that will cover the following areas:

- The Budget setting process for 2023/24
- Update on the financial climate for Local Government
- General Fund/Medium Term Financial Strategy/Housing Revenue Account/Reserves financial overview
- Scrutiny role for the Budget

7. **Cost of Living Summit (Pages 15 - 30)**

On 6 September this Committee agreed the arrangements for holding a cost of living summit. In agreeing the proposed arrangements, the Committee also asked for a report summarising the presentations, discussions and actions arising from the summit to be considered at a future meeting of the Committee. This report provides feedback on the summit held on 20 September 2022 and updates on the actions that have been taken or are underway following the summit.

8. **Closure of Footpath South of Seaview Bridge Petition (Pages 31 - 42)**

Consideration of a petition regarding the closure of the footpath South of Seaview Bridge.