

Meeting: **Cabinet**
Date: **25 January 2023**
Time: **5.00 pm**
Place: **Council Chamber - Civic Centre Folkestone**

To: **All members of the Cabinet**

All Councillors for information

The cabinet will consider the matters listed below on the date and at the time and place shown above.

This meeting will be webcast live to the council's website at <https://folkestone-hythe.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>.

Please note there will be 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 5 - 6)**

Members of the Council 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.

3. **Minutes (Pages 7 - 12)**

To consider and approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting

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held on 14 December 2022.

4. **Oportunitas Progress Report 2022/23 (To 31 October 2022) (Pages 13 - 48)**

This report provides an update from the Board of Oportunitas Ltd (“the company”) on activities undertaken so far during the 2022/23 financial year, including a projected outturn for the profit and loss account for the period to 31 March 2023 compared to the original forecast, based on activity to 31 October 2022. The report also outlines the company’s audited Statement of Accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 2022. Additionally, the report seeks Cabinet’s permission for the company to retain the proceeds from the sale of a piece of surplus land from its property portfolio. This report is in-line with the requirement contained in the Shareholder’s Agreement between the company and the Council. The chairman of Oportunitas will be available at the meeting of Cabinet to present the report and to address any questions.

5. **General Fund Revenue Budget Monitoring 2022/23 - Q3 (Pages 49 - 60)**

This monitoring report provides a projection of the end of year financial position of the General Fund revenue budget at Quarter three (Q3), based on expenditure and income to the 30 November 2022. The report shows an improved position for Q3 with an underspend now forecast until financial year end. The reporting format has also been re-aligned to improve the presentation of the budget monitoring information for Q3.

6. **General Fund Capital Programme Budget Monitoring 2022/23 - Q3 (Pages 61 - 72)**

This monitoring report provides an updated projection of the current financial position for the General Fund capital programme profiled for 2022/23, based on expenditure to 30 November 2022, and identifies variances compared to the latest approved budget.

7. **Q3 2022/23 HRA Budget Monitoring (Pages 73 - 84)**

This monitoring report provides a projection of the end of year financial position for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) revenue expenditure and HRA capital programme based on net expenditure to 30 November 2022.

8. **Draft General Fund Budget 2023/24 (Pages 85 - 138)**

This report sets out the Council’s Draft General Fund budget for 2023/24.

9. **Draft Housing Revenue Account Revenue and Capital Original Budget 2023/24 (Pages 139 - 154)**

This report sets out the Housing Revenue Account Revenue and Capital Budget for 2023/24 and proposes an increase in weekly rents and an increase in service charges for 2023/24.

10. **Update to the Medium Term Capital Programme (Pages 155 - 170)**

This report updates the General Fund Medium Term Capital Programme for the five-year period ending 31 March 2028. The General Fund Medium Term Capital Programme is required to be submitted to full Council for consideration and approval as part of the budget process.

11. **Beach Hut Lettings Procedure (Pages 171 - 182)**

Folkestone & Hythe District Council ('the Council' / 'FHDC') manage 126 beach huts across the District of Folkestone & Hythe ('the District') and the Council is currently exploring opportunities to install additional huts in the District. Due to the recent increase in the number of huts in Folkestone and the potential for more huts in the future, management of the huts has intensified therefore, a procedure for leasing the huts – 'Beach Hut Lettings - Terms and Conditions' (see Appendix) – has been prepared. It is the intention that this document will provide the framework within which operational matters progress, as approved by Cabinet members.

12. **Review of the Event Management Policy (Pages 183 - 218)**

This report details the review of the Events Management Policy and Procedures (appendix 1) to ensure they are up to date and reflect current practice.