

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2021 AT 6.00 P.M.

MICROSOFT TEAMS - VIRTUAL

MEMBERS: Councillors J. Till (Vice-Chairman), S. J. Baxter,

A. J. B. Beaumont, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming,

C.A. Hotham, R. J. Hunter, A. D. Kriss, P. M. McDonald,

C. J. Spencer and M. Thompson

AGENDA

- 1. Election of Overview and Scrutiny Board Chairman
- 2. Apologies for Absence and Named Substitutes
- 3. Declarations of Interest and Whipping Arrangements

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

- 4. To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board held on 11th January 2021 (Pages 1 12)
- 5. Medium Term Financial Plan 2021/22 to 2024/25 (including the Capital Programme) Pre-Scrutiny

(Report to follow).

6. Council Tax Support Scheme

(Report to follow).

- 7. Equalities Task Group Final Report (Pages 13 42)
- 8. Finance and Budget Working Group Update
- 9. Task Group Updates
 - a) Impact of Review of Library Services Task Group Chairman, Councillor S. Colella
 - b) Impact of Flooding in the District Task Group Chairman, Councillor R. Hunter
- 10. Worcestershire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Update
- 11. Cabinet Work Programme (Pages 43 46)
- 12. Overview and Scrutiny Board Work Programme (Pages 47 54)

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5th February 2021

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