

# General Purposes Committee



Thursday, 24 June 2021 at 6.00 p.m.

Committee Room One - Town Hall Mulberry Place

## Agenda

**Chair: Councillor Helal Uddin**

### Members

Vice-Chair: To be appointed.

Councillor Asma Islam, Councillor Peter Golds, Councillor Amina Ali, Councillor Denise Jones, Councillor Danny Hassell, Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman, Councillor Tarik Khan and Councillor Zenith Rahman

### Substitutes:

Councillor Andrew Wood, Councillor Faroque Ahmed, Councillor Rajib Ahmed and Councillor Val Whitehead

[The quorum for the General Purposes Committee is 3 Members]

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**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**1. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

To receive nominations for election of Vice-Chair.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

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Members are reminded to consider the categories of interest in the Code of Conduct for Members to determine whether they have an interest in any agenda item and any action they should take. For further details, please see the attached note from the Monitoring Officer.

Members are reminded to declare the nature of the interest and the agenda item it relates to. Please note that ultimately it's the Members' responsibility to declare any interests and to update their register of interest form as required by the Code.

If in doubt as to the nature of your interest, you are advised to seek advice prior to the meeting by contacting the Monitoring Officer or Democratic Services

**3. MINUTES**

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To agree the unrestricted minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 23 February 2021.

**4. WORK PLAN**

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To review the Committee's work plan for the current municipal year.

## **5. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

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## **6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT**

## **7. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda the Committee is recommended to adopt the following motion:

“That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972.”

## **EXEMPT SECTION (Pink Papers)**

The exempt committee papers in the agenda will contain information, which is commercially, legally or personally sensitive and should not be divulged to third parties. If you do not wish to retain these papers after the meeting, please hand them to the Committee Officer present.

### **8. EXEMPT REPORTS**

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| <b>8 .1</b> | <b>Local Authority Governor Report - Restricted Appendices</b> | <b>159 - 176</b> |
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#### **Next Meeting of the Committee:**

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