

Agenda

General scrutiny committee

Date: **Tuesday 5 February 2019**

Time: **10.15 am**

Place: **Council Chamber, The Shire Hall, St Peter's Square,
Hereford, HR1 2HX**

Notes: Please note the time, date and venue of the meeting.

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Membership

Chairperson **Councillor WLS Bowen**
Vice-Chairperson **Councillor BA Baker**

Councillor SP Anderson
Councillor JM Bartlett
Councillor AW Johnson
Councillor A Warmington
Councillor SD Williams

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<p>1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>To receive apologies for absence.</p>		
<p>2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES</p> <p>To receive details of members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a member of the committee.</p>		
<p>3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>To receive declarations of interests in respect of Schedule 1, Schedule 2 or Other Interests from members of the committee in respect of items on the agenda.</p>		
<p>4. MINUTES</p> <p>To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2018.</p>		9 - 14
<p>5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC</p> <p>To receive any written questions from members of the public.</p> <p>Details of the scheme and related guidance are available here:</p> <p>https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200148/your_council/61/get_involved</p> <p>Please submit questions to councillorservices@herefordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>The deadline for the receipt of questions is Wednesday 30 January 2019 at 5.00 pm.</p> <p>Accepted questions will be published as a supplement prior to the meeting.</p>		
<p>6. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL</p> <p>To receive any written questions from members of the council.</p> <p>Deadline for receipt of questions is 5.00pm on Wednesday 30 January 2019.</p> <p>Accepted questions will be published as a supplement prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Please submit questions to councillorservices@herefordshire.gov.uk</p>		
<p>7. ALTERNATIVE BUDGET PROPOSAL 2019-20</p> <p>Council is required by law to set a balanced budget every year. It is the responsibility of the executive to formulate the documents that form the budget and policy framework of the council and recommend them to Council. The budget provides details of expenditure on local services in the forthcoming municipal year and the forms of income upon which the council relies to provide those services.</p> <p>Alternative budget proposals have been submitted by the It's Our County Group. A copy of the alternative budget to be proposed as an amendment to</p>		15 - 60

the substantive budget proposal, and the chief finance officer's statement are attached. The committee is asked to inform and support the process for Council consideration of the proposals by providing constructive challenge and make recommendations and other appropriate comments to the It's Our County Group, and which will be reported to Council.

Protocol for alternative budgets

The council's constitution requires that where an alternative budget is being proposed:

- The proposing group or member must present their proposals to the scrutiny committees. The scrutiny committee will receive a presentation from the proposing group or member setting out the proposals in the alternative budget. The presentation from the It's Our County Group is provided in the papers for this meeting.
- The scrutiny committee may make recommendations or other appropriate comments to the proposing group or member. The recommendations of the scrutiny committee to the It's Our County Group will be attached to the alternative budget presented to the budget meeting of full Council.
- Members proposing amendments to budget proposals must have consulted with the relevant director(s) to determine the context and possible consequences of the proposal.
- The chief finance officer must have provided confirmation that the alternative budget meets statutory requirements. The chief finance officer's statement is provided in the papers for this meeting.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is to be confirmed.