#### SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL

## **Meeting of General Purposes Committee**

Date: Tuesday, 6th February, 2024
Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

**Present:** Councillor D Jones (Chair)

Councillors C Campbell (Vice-Chair), N Folkard, G Leroy, A Line,

R McMullan, K Murphy, D Nelson and M O'Connor

(\*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 30.)

**In Attendance:** Councillors D Cowan, T Cox, L Hyde and J Moyies

K Sawyer, C Gamble and T Row

**Start/End Time:** 6.30 pm - 6.50 pm

### 8 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Courtenay (substitute: Councillor Folkard).

#### 9 Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared at the meeting.

# 10 Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 27 November 2023

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023 be confirmed as a correct record and signed.

### 11 Standing order - Changes to Council meeting procedures

The Committee received a report of the Executive Director (Strategy & Change) presenting proposed changes to the Council's Procedure Rules (Standing Orders) rules to make the meetings more effective. A copy of the proposed changes were attached as appendices to the submitted report.

# Resolved:-

- 1. That Council be recommended to adopt the proposed changes to the Council Procedure Rules as set out in Appendix A to the submitted report.
- 2. That separate procedure rules for Committees, Overview and Scrutiny and Working Parties as set out in Appendices B, C & D, be approved.
- 3. That the minor revisions to the Contract Procedure Rules & Finance Procedure Rules as outlined in the submitted to make clear the procedures for key decisions relating to contracts, be approved.

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4. That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to make minor revisions to the