

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Place Scrutiny Committee
Special Meeting**

Date: Monday, 15th June, 2020

Time: 6.30 pm

Place: Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

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A G E N D A

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

3 Questions from Members of the Public

As this is a special meeting of the Committee, questions must relate to business included in the agenda for the meeting, in accordance with Standing Order 6B.

4 The Council's Response to COVID-19 (Pages 1 - 34)

Report of Chief Executive attached.

This special meeting of the Scrutiny Committee has been called by the Chair pursuant to Paragraph 4 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4(e) of the Constitution, to consider the Council's Covid-19 response and recovery plans. Special meetings of the other Scrutiny Committees have also been called for the same purpose.

The Cabinet will consider reports on this item and the following item of business (Item 5 - Initial Local Financial Assessment of COVID-19) at its meeting on 9 June 2020. Copies of these reports are attached to assist the Scrutiny Committees in considering relevant matters and the decisions of the Cabinet in respect of each report will be circulated to the Scrutiny Committees in advance of their meetings. The relevant Cabinet Members and senior officers will be available to answer questions at the meetings of each Committee.

The draft Minutes of this meeting of the Place Scrutiny Committee and the meeting of the Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee to be held on 11 June 2020 will be reported to the meeting of the People Scrutiny Committee to be held on 16 June 2020 for information. However, Councillors should note that each Scrutiny Committee must focus on the Council's Covid-19 response and the immediate recovery plans in respect of its specific areas of responsibility.

- 5 Initial Local Financial Assessment of Covid-19 (Pages 35 - 52)**
Report of Executive Director (Finance and Resources) attached.

NOTE: In the light of rapidly changing circumstances, it is anticipated that a supplementary report will be issued before the Cabinet meeting on 9 June 2020.

6 Exclusion of the Public

To agree that, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

TO: The Chair & Members Place Scrutiny Committee:

Councillor A Moring (Chair),

Councillors M Flewitt (Vice-Chair), B Ayling, J Beck, A Bright, K Buck, L Burton, A Chalk, D Cowan, T Cox, M Dent, S George, D Jarvis, S Wakefield, C Walker, N Ward and P Wexham