SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 11th June, 2020 Time: 6.00 pm

Place: Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams
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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 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.

- 3 Declarations of Interest
- **The Council's Response to COVID-19** (Pages 1 34) Report of the 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 comprehensive 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 Committee in considering relevant matters and the decisions of the Cabinet in respect of each report will be circulated to each of the scrutiny committees in advance of their meetings. The relevant Cabinet Members and senior officers will be available to answer questions at the meeting of each committee.

The draft minutes of this meeting of the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee will be reported to the meetings of the Place Scrutiny Committee and People Scrutiny Committee to be held on 15 and 16 June 2020 respectively, for information. However, members should note that each scrutiny committee must focus on the Council's COVID-19 response and immediate recovery plans in respect of its specific areas of responsibility.

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

NOTE: In light of rapidly changing circumstances, it is anticipated that a

supplementary report will be issued before the Cabinet meeting on 9 June 2020.

Members:

Cllr D Garston (Chair), Cllr D McGlone (Vice-Chair), Cllr B Ayling, Cllr D Burzotta, Cllr D Cowan, Cllr T Cox, Cllr P Collins, Cllr M Davidson, Cllr M Dent, Cllr S George, Cllr S Habermel, Cllr H McDonald, Cllr D Nelson, Cllr I Shead, Cllr M Stafford, Cllr S Wakefield and Cllr P Wexham