

**SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL**

**Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee**

**Date: Thursday, 8th June, 2023**

**Time: 6.30 pm**

**Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite**

**Contact: Stephanie Cox (Principal Democratic Services Officer)**

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**AGENDA**

- 1 Chair's Introduction & Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Declarations of Interest**
- 3 Questions from Members of the Public**
- 4 Minutes of the Meeting held on 15 March 2023 (Pages 3 - 8)**
- 5 Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 22 March 2023 (Pages 9 - 10)**
- \*\*\*\* ITEMS FOR PRE-CABINET SCRUTINY/CALLED-IN FROM THE FORWARD PLAN**
- 6 Annual Procurement Plan 2023/24 (Pages 11 - 32)**  
Report of Executive Director (Finance and Resources) attached.
- 7 Council Procurement & Contract Management Strategy 2023-26 (Pages 33 - 46)**  
Report of Executive Director (Finance and Resources) attached.
- 8 Armed Forces Covenant & Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (Pages 47 - 72)**  
Report of Executive Director (Adults and Communities) attached.
- 9 Petition - Save The Jazz Centre UK (Pages 73 - 76)**  
Report of Executive Director (Adults and Communities) attached.
- 10 Debt Management - Position to 31 March 2023 (Pages 77 - 88)**

Report of Executive Director (Finance and Resources) attached.

\*\*\*\* **ITEMS CALLED-IN/REFERRED DIRECT BY CABINET**

None

\*\*\*\* **OTHER SCRUTINY MATTERS**

**11 Work Programme Evaluation 2022/23** (Pages 89 - 92)

Report of Executive Director (Finance and Resources) attached.

**12 Association of South Essex Local Authorities - Joint Committee** (Pages 93 - 116)

To receive the draft minutes of the meeting of the Joint Committee of the Association of South Essex Local Authorities (ASELA) held on 23 March 2023.

**TO: The Chair & Members of the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee:**

Councillor S Wakefield (Chair), Councillor L Burton (Vice-Chair)  
Councillors B Beggs, M Borton, S Buckley, O Cartey, T Cowdrey, M Dent,  
F Evans, N Folkard, S George, J Harland, R McMullan, M Sadza, C Walker,  
J Warren and P Wexham