

**Medway Council**  
**Meeting of Business Support Overview and Scrutiny**  
**Committee**

**Tuesday, 10 May 2022**

**6.01pm to 7.36pm**

**Record of the meeting**

**Subject to approval as an accurate record at the next meeting of this committee**

**Present:** Councillors: Buckwell (Chairman), Etheridge, Johnson, Khan, Maple, Murray, Opara, Andy Stamp, Tejan (Vice-Chairman), Rupert Turpin, Wildey and Williams

**Substitutes:** Councillors:  
Thorne (Substitute for Clarke)

**In Attendance:** Bhupinder Gill, Assistant Director, Legal and Governance  
Michael Turner, Principal Democratic Services Officer

**878 Apologies for absence**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Clarke.

**879 Record of meeting**

The record of the meeting of the Committee held on 31 March 2022 was agreed and signed by the Chairman as correct.

**880 Urgent matters by reason of special circumstances**

There were none.

**881 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Significant Interests and Whipping**

Disclosable pecuniary interests

There were none.

Other significant interests (OSIs)

There were none.

Other interests

There were none.

**882 Exclusion of the press and public**

The Committee agreed to exclude the press and public during consideration of the Agenda Item 6 because consideration of this matter in public would disclose exempt information falling within paragraphs 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (Information relating to financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) and information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings) and, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption, outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

**883 Call-In - Queen Street development update**

**Discussion:**

Members considered an exempt report regarding notice of call-in received from six members of the Council of two of the Cabinet decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on 5 April 2022 relating to the progress of a proposed development on a car park site in Queen Street, Chatham.

**Decision:**

The Committee agreed to:

- a) Note the two called-in Cabinet decisions within decision no. 58/2022, and;
- b) Call on Cabinet to:
  - i) recognise the requirement to not have any services or projects tendered which are contrary to Council policy.
  - ii) introduce a formalised, improved system of governance and accountability of significant (in terms of budgets over £100,000 or more than 3 years) projects in Medway.
  - iii) ensure all decision making is fully minuted to make sure that all the processes are transparent.
  - iv) enable appropriate monitoring of major projects using published milestones and a timeline.

## **Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 10 May 2022**

**Chairman**

**Date:**

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