

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POLICY, FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
HELD AT CIVIC SUITE 2, BROCKS HILL COUNCIL OFFICES, WASHBROOK LANE, OADBY,  
LEICESTER, LE2 5JJ ON TUESDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2024 COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

**PRESENT**

I K Ridley                                      Chair  
F S Broadley                                  Vice-Chair



Meeting ID: 2710

**COUNCILLORS**

N Alam  
G A Boulter  
J K Ford  
D A Gamble  
C S Gore  
S Z Haq  
P Joshi  
J Kaufman  
K J Loydall

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

D M Gill                                      Head of Law & Democracy / Monitoring Officer  
L Parsons                                    Finance Manager  
A Thorpe                                      Head of Built Environment  
C Warren                                      Chief Finance Officer / Section 151 Officer  
S Wheeliker                                  Senior Democratic & Electoral Services Officer

**14. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillors L A Bentley, M L Darr and G G Hunt.

**15. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES**

None.

**16. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**17. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

**The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18 June 2024 be taken as read, confirmed and approved.**

**18. ACTION LIST ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

None.

**19. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS**

None.

**20. BUDGET MONITORING (Q1 2024/25)**

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendices (as set out at pages 8-23 of the agenda reports pack), which provided the Committee with the forecast Outturn position for the Council for the end of Q1 of 2024/25.#

It was moved by Councillor G A Boulter, seconded by Councillor K J Loydall, and

**IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

- i) The content of the report and appendices be noted;**
- ii) The carry forward of slippage as shown in the Capital projects be approved; and**
- iii) The vehicle purchases from the available Capital budget as noted in Appendix 4 be approved.**

**21. TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT (Q1 2024/25)**

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendices (as set out at pages 24-37 of the agenda reports pack), which detailed the performance and activities of the authority's treasury management function to the end of Q1 for 2024/25.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT**

**That the content of the report and appendices be noted.**

**22. COLLECTION AND WRITE-OFF OF COUNCIL DEBT (Q1 2024/25)**

The Committee gave consideration to the report (as set out at pages 38-41 of the agenda reports pack), which provided Members with an update on the status of debts written off under delegated powers.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT**

**The content of the report be noted.**

**23. BUDGET SETTING APPROACH FOR 2025/26 AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN UPDATE**

The Committee gave consideration to the report (as set out at pages 42-46 of the agenda reports pack), which consulted Members on the approach for setting the 2025/26 budget and updated Members on the Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) position.

It was moved by Councillor G A Boulter, seconded by Councillor K J Loydall, and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT**

- i) The Budget Approach for 2025/26 be agreed and recommended to Council; and**
- ii) The updated MTFP budget gaps be noted.**

**24. REVISED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (AUTUMN 2024)**

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 47 – 65 of the agenda reports pack), which sought the Committee’s approval for the adoption of the revised Local Development Scheme as the Council’s most up to date Local Development Scheme.

It was moved by Councillor G A Boulter, seconded by Councillor S Z Haq, and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT**

**The Local Development Scheme (Autumn 2024) be approved.**

**25. UPDATED CAR PARK STRATEGY (2024-2027)**

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 66 – 77 of the agenda reports pack), which updated the Car Park Strategy for the Borough for 2024 to 2027.

Councillor N Alam proposed an amendment (‘recommendation B’) reading, “Prior to the finalisation of the Car Park Strategy (2024-27) stakeholders are to be consulted.”

It was moved by Councillor N Alam, seconded by Councillor P Joshi, and

**RESOLVED THAT**

**‘Recommendation B’ be rejected.**

<b>For</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Against</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Abstention</b>	<b>0</b>

Councillor G A Boulter proposed the item be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee so that Members’ concerns can be considered and incorporated into the report.

It was moved by Councillor G A Boulter, seconded by Councillor S Z Haq, and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT**

**The item be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee.**

**26. STANDARDS & ETHICAL INDICATORS (Q1 2024/25)**

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 78-88 of the agenda reports pack), which provided the figures for local determination of complaints and ethical indicators for Q1 2024/25.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT**

**The content of the report and appendix be noted.**

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.08 pm**