

Wednesday, 8 November 2023 10.00 am

Meeting of Governance and Constitution Committee Sadler Road Winsford CW7 2FQ

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MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE AND CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2023 Time : 10.00 am Lecture Theatre - Training Centre, Sadler Road, Winsford, Cheshire CW7 2FQ

AGENDA

Part 1 - Business to be discussed in public

- 1 PROCEDURAL MATTERS
- **1A Recording of Meeting** Members are reminded that this meeting will be audio-recorded.
- 1B Apologies for Absence
- **1C** Declarations of Members' Interests Members are reminded to disclose any interests that are relevant to any item on the Agenda.
- **1D Minutes of the Governance and Constitution Committee** (Pages 5 12) To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Governance and Constitution Committee held on Wednesday 5th July 2023.

NOTE: Members will recall approving the Procedure - Section 114, 115 and 116 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 at the last meeting (Minute 6 refers).

A copy of the Procedure is attached to the Agenda with two minor changes: the addition of a timescale for calling the Fire Authority meeting; and a requirement to review the Procedure from time-to-time. These are shown in red. Members are asked to approve these minor changes.

ITEMS REQUIRING DISCUSSION / DECISION

2	Dispensation	(Pages 13 - 18)
3	Fire Authority Constitution - Review (Part Two)	(Pages 19 - 58)
4	Members' Allowances Scheme: Uplift 2023-24; 2024-25; and Review	(Pages 59 - 68)