

# The Economy, Housing and the Arts Policy and Accountability Committee Agenda

Tuesday 25 January 2022 at 6.30 pm

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<u>Item</u>		<u>Pages</u>
<b>1.</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> <p>If a Councillor has a disclosable pecuniary interest in a particular item, whether or not it is entered in the Authority's register of interests, or any other significant interest which they consider should be declared in the public interest, they should declare the existence and, unless it is a sensitive interest as defined in the Member Code of Conduct, the nature of the interest at the commencement of the consideration of that item or as soon as it becomes apparent.</p> <p>Where Members of the public are not allowed to be in attendance and speak, then the Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest should withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is under consideration. Councillors who have declared other significant interests should also withdraw from the meeting if they consider their continued participation in the matter would not be reasonable in the circumstances and may give rise to a perception of a conflict of interest.</p> <p>Councillors are not obliged to withdraw from the meeting where a dispensation to that effect has been obtained from the Standards Committee.</p>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>MINUTES</b> <p>To note the minutes of the previous meeting.</p>	4 - 12
<b>4.</b>	<b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b> <p>This meeting is being held remotely on Zoom and will be live streamed to YouTube: <a href="https://youtu.be/HAhqqSrCbfs">https://youtu.be/HAhqqSrCbfs</a></p> <p>If you would like to ask a question at the meeting about any of the items on the agenda please send your question to <a href="mailto:governance@lbhf.gov.uk">governance@lbhf.gov.uk</a> by 12 noon on Friday, 21 January</p>	
<b>5.</b>	<b>2022 MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY (MTFS)</b> <p>This report sets out the budget proposals for the services covered by this Policy and Accountability Committee (PAC). An update is also provided on any proposed changes in fees and charges in the budget.</p>	13 - 36

**6. FINANCIAL PLAN FOR COUNCIL HOMES: THE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) 2022/23 HRA BUDGET, 2022/23 RENT SETTING AND HRA 40-YEAR FINANCIAL BUSINESS PLAN**

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This report sets out the HRA budget proposals for the financial year 2022/23 including changes to rent levels and other charges and explains the wider financial risks facing the HRA. Recognising the cost of living pressures faced by tenants due to inflation and Government tax increases, it notes that the administration proposes a real-terms reduction in rent.

**7. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Dates of future meetings:  
22 March 2022