

Crawley Borough Council

Governance Committee

Agenda for the **Governance Committee** which will be held in **Committee Rooms A & B - Town Hall**, on **Monday**, **10 October 2022** at **7.00 pm**

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Chief Executive

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Membership:

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G S Jhans, M G Jones, Y Khan, R A Lanzer, T Lunnon, K McCarthy

and S Pritchard

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Part A Business (Open to the Public)

		Pages
1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Disclosures of Interest	
	In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, councillors are reminded that it is a requirement to declare interests where appropriate.	
3.	Minutes	5 - 8
	To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Governance Committee held on 21 June 2022.	
4.	Public Question Time	
	To answer any questions asked by the public which relate to an item on this agenda and which are in line with the Council's Constitution.	
	Public Question Time will be concluded by the Chair when all questions have been answered or on the expiry of a period of 15 minutes, whichever is the earlier.	
5.	Implementation of the Elections Act 2022	
	To receive a presentation from the Electoral Services Manager on the latest information regarding the implementation of the Elections Act 2022 following the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities conference held in Birmingham on 12 September 2022.	
6.	Polling Arrangements 2023: Schools	9 - 16
	To consider report LDS/189 of the Head of Governance, People & Performance.	
7.	Final Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel (Councillors' Allowances Scheme 2023/24 to 2026/27)	17 - 34
	To consider report LDS/190 of the Chair of the Independent Remuneration Panel.	

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8.	Changes to the Constitution: Licensing Sub- Committee (Taxis) Functions	35 - 50
	To consider report LDS/191 of the Head of Governance, People & Performance.	
9.	Changes to the Constitution: Financial Approval Levels	51 - 54

Section J of the <u>Financial and Budget Procedure Rules</u> in the Constitution currently references the financial approval levels for purchasing land and property for housing delivery. Approval levels for the acquisition of land and property for investment are currently included in the Head of Corporate Finance's Sub-Delegation Scheme but are not referenced in the Constitution. Several decisions relating to the acquisition of land and property for temporary accommodation have been taken by Cabinet with those decisions being taken by the Head of Strategic Housing in agreement with the Head of Corporate Finance and in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member and Leader.

For completeness and consistency, it is suggested that Section J of the Financial and Budget Procedure Rules be amended to include decision routes for all three types of acquisition. The proposed changes are set out in report LDS/192 of the Head of Governance, People & Performance.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Full Council be recommended to approve the changes to Section J of the Financial and Budget Procedure Rules set out in the Constitution as detailed in report LDS/192.

10. Supplemental Agenda

Any urgent item(s) complying with Section 100(B) of the Local Government Act 1972.

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