

Resources Scrutiny Commission

Agenda (budget scrutiny – part 1)



Date: Tuesday, 30 January 2024

Time: 4.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, City Hall

Distribution:

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Agenda

1. Welcome, introductions and safety information

2. Apologies for absence and substitutions

3. Declarations of Interest

To note any declarations of interest from councillors. They are asked to indicate the relevant agenda item, the nature of the interest and in particular whether it is a **disclosable pecuniary interest**. Any declaration of interest made at the meeting which is not on the register of interests should be notified to the Monitoring Officer for inclusion.

4. Minutes of previous meeting

5. Chair's business

6. Public Forum (up to 30 minutes is allocated for this item)

Up to 30 minutes is allocated for public forum items. This public forum session will cover both Part 1 and Part 2 of this meeting of the Resources Scrutiny Commission, i.e. there will not be a separate public forum session for Part 2 of this meeting which is being held on 1 February.

Please note that over the course of these two sessions being held on 30 January and 1 February, the Resources Scrutiny Commission will be scrutinising the Mayor's 2024/25 budget proposals, as submitted to the Cabinet on 23 January and in advance of the Full Council budget meeting to be held on 20 February. The Resources Scrutiny Commission has no decision-making powers in relation to the Budget but will scrutinise and comment on the proposals.

Any member of the public or councillor may participate in Public Forum. The detailed arrangements for so doing are set out in the Public Information Sheet at the back of this agenda. Public Forum items should be emailed to scrutiny@bristol.gov.uk and please note that the following deadlines will apply in relation to this meeting:

Questions: Written questions must be received at least 3 clear working days prior to the meeting. For this meeting, this means that your question(s) must be received in this office at the latest by **5.00 pm on Wednesday 24 January 2024**



Petitions and Statements: Petitions or written statements must be received at latest by 12.00 noon on the working day prior to the meeting. For this meeting, this means that petitions or statements must be received in this office at the latest by **12.00 noon on Monday 29 January 2024**

Please also note:

Questions, petitions and statements must relate to the remit of the Resources Scrutiny Commission.

Members of the press and public who plan to attend a public meeting at City Hall are advised that you will be required to sign in when you arrive. Please note that you will be issued with a visitor pass which you will need to display at all times.

7. Scrutiny of 2024/25 budget proposals - part 1

Explanatory note:

This meeting is being held over two sessions (30 January and 1 February) to scrutinise the Mayor’s 2024/25 budget proposals, as submitted to the Cabinet on 23 January and in advance of the Full Council budget meeting on 20 February.

During this ‘Part 1’ session on 30 January, members will scrutinise the sections of the budget relating to the:

- Growth and Regeneration directorate, including the Housing Revenue Account, from approx. 4.30 – 6.00 pm (members of the Growth and Regeneration and Communities Scrutiny Commissions have also been invited to attend this section of the meeting and the Capital Programme item as below).
- Capital Programme (approx. 6.00 – 6.30 pm)
- Resources directorate (approx. 6.30 – 7.00 pm).

Members’ comments will be reported to the Full Council budget meeting.

During this session, Scrutiny members will focus on the information in the following reports that have been published for the Cabinet meeting on 23 January:

2024/25 budget recommendations and Treasury Management Strategy
[\(Public Pack\)2024/25 Budget Recommendations & Treasury Management Strategy Agenda Supplement for Cabinet, 23/01/2024 16:00 \(bristol.gov.uk\)](#)

Housing Revenue Account budget proposals 2024/25
[\(Public Pack\)Housing Revenue Account \(HRA\) Budget Proposals 2024/25 Agenda Supplement for Cabinet, 23/01/2024 16:00 \(bristol.gov.uk\)](#)



Barton House emergency evacuation (report on emergency key decision spend)
[\(Public Pack\) Barton House Emergency Evacuation Agenda Supplement for Cabinet, 23/01/2024 16:00 \(bristol.gov.uk\)](#)

Finance Outturn report (period 8, quarter 3)
[Decision Pathway Report P08.pdf \(bristol.gov.uk\)](#)

At the conclusion of this Part 1 session, the meeting will be adjourned and will reconvene at 4.00 pm on Thursday 1 February.

