



Meeting: Scrutiny Commission

Date/Time: Friday, 30 November 2018 at 10.00 am

Location: Sparkenhoe Committee Room, County Hall, Glenfield

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## Membership

Mr. S. J. Galton CC (Chairman)

Mr. D. C. Bill MBE CC Mrs. R. Page CC

Mr. M. H. Charlesworth CC Mr. A. E. Pearson CC

Dr. T. Eynon CC Mr. T. J. Pendleton CC

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Mrs. H. J. Fryer CC Mrs B. Seaton CC Mr. J. Morgan CC Mr. M. B. Wyatt CC

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## <u>AGENDA</u>

<u>Item</u> Report by

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 14 November.

(Pages 5 - 16)

- 2. Question Time.
- 3. Questions asked by members under Standing Order 7(3) and 7(5).
- 4. To advise of any other items which the Chairman has decided to take as urgent elsewhere on the agenda.
- 5. Declarations of interest in respect of items on the agenda.

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- 6. Declarations of the Party Whip in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16.
- 7. Presentation of Petitions under Standing Order 36.
- 8. The Development of a Unitary Structure for Local Government in Leicestershire.

Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Resources, and Director of Law and Governance (Pages 17 - 60)

Members are asked to bring the previously circulated copy of the Cabinet report from the 16 October.

The attached report includes additional information relating to the legal position and the financial options appraisal, as requested by the Commission.

External expert witnesses have been invited to address the Commission and there will be an opportunity for local councillors to ask questions and give their views.

9. Date of next meeting.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled to take place on 6 December 2018 at 10.00am.

10. Any other items which the Chairman has decided to take as urgent.

## QUESTIONING BY MEMBERS OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

The ability to ask good, pertinent questions lies at the heart of successful and effective scrutiny. To support members with this, a range of resources, including guides to questioning, are available via the Centre for Public Scrutiny website <a href="https://www.cfps.org.uk">www.cfps.org.uk</a>.

The following questions have been agreed by Scrutiny members as a good starting point for developing questions:-

- Who was consulted and what were they consulted on? What is the process for and quality of the consultation?
- How have the voices of local people and frontline staff been heard?
- What does success look like?
- What is the history of the service and what will be different this time?
- What happens once the money is spent?
- If the service model is changing, has the previous service model been evaluated?
- What evaluation arrangements are in place will there be an annual review?