



## Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

**Scrutiny Committee Members:** Councillors Bick, Blackhurst, Dryden (Labour Spokesperson for Customer Services and Resources), Ellis-Miller, Herbert (Labour Spokesperson for Strategy), Howell, Shah, Taylor (Chair) and Ward (Lib Dem Alternate: Cllr Blair) (Labour Alternate: Cllr Newbold)

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Also invited to this scrutiny committee meeting:  
All members of the Executive.  
Chairs and spokes of Community Services, Environment and HMB Scrutiny Committees.

Agenda despatched and placed on public deposit: 5 February 2009

**Date:** Friday 13 February 2009  
**Time:** 5.00pm  
**Place:** Council Chamber, The Guildhall  
**Contact:** Glenn Burgess **Direct Dial:** 01223 457169

### 1 Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

### 2 Declarations Of Interest

Members are asked to declare at this stage any interests that they may have in an item shown on this agenda. If any member of the Committee is unsure whether or not they should declare an interest on a particular matter, they should seek advice from the Head of Legal Services **before** the meeting.

### 3 Public Questions (See 'Information for the public' at the end of the agenda below)

#### Procedure for dealing with Agenda Items 4 and 5

The Scrutiny Committee and other councillors attending are to note that it is not the purpose of this meeting to support, amend or defeat the Executive's budget or budget amendments ie. there is no vote. The Executive agreed at its meeting on 29 January that there should be an opportunity for scrutiny of its budget prior to the scheduled Council meeting because of the exceptional circumstances encountered during this year's budget process (see minutes of the Executive 29/1/09).

Regarding any budget amendments, the purpose of the meeting is for the Scrutiny Committee to examine, and where appropriate to comment on, amendments. The comments, along with the amendments, will feed through to the Council's budget meeting on Thursday 26 February.

The Executive is entitled to change its budget recommendations in the light of the discussions at the Scrutiny Committee meeting.

**4 [The Executive's budget. Draft revenue and capital budgets – revised 2008/09, proposed 2009/10, 2010/11 \(already published see below\) with further amendment \(which is to follow\)](#)**

There are four reports already published and on the Council's website detailing the Executive's budget. There is also the Executive's recommendation to Council in the minutes of the meeting dated 29/1/09. On the weblink <http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/public/councillors/comtabl9.htm> the agenda items listed can be accessed:

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Agenda Item 7 (Draft Revenue and Capital Budgets Overview and Budget Setting Report).

Amendment to the Overview report (listed on the web as a separate item).

29 January Executive

Agenda Item 4 and the minutes of the meeting 29/1/09

**5 [Draft Revenue and Capital Budgets – amendments](#)**

Amendments from opposition groups on the Council may be submitted up to Friday 6 February and therefore will not be available for publication until next week.

**6 Folk Festival Ticket Sales 2008**

Under para 3.2 of Appendix F of the Council's constitution, Cllr Howell has requested an agenda item to update the committee on activity relating to 2008 Folk Festival online ticket sales.

**7 Cambridgeshire Horizons – Councillor appointment to Board**

Currently the Leader of the Council is the Council's representative on the Cambridgeshire Horizons Board, this has been the case since 2003. Following the conclusion of negotiations and implementation of various partnership arrangements the Leader proposes to make the Executive Councillor for Climate Change and Growth the Council's representative with immediate effect.

**For decision by the Leader**

**Next scheduled meeting**

The next ordinary meeting of the Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee is scheduled for **Monday 16th March 2009.**

**Public attendance**

You are welcome to attend this meeting as an observer, although it may be necessary to ask you to leave the room during the discussion of matters which are described as confidential. No recording or photography is permitted.

**Public Speaking**

You can ask questions or make a statement on an issue included on the agenda above, or on an issue which is within the Leader's remit. Questions are normally asked during the slot on the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

If you wish to ask a question related to an agenda item contact the committee officer (listed above under 'contact') **before the meeting starts.** If you wish to ask a question on a matter not included on this agenda, please contact the committee officer by 10.00am the working day before the meeting. Further details concerning the right to speak at committee can be obtained from the committee section.

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