

Decisions taken by the Public Accounts Select Committee on Thursday, 24 September 2020

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
Part A – Items considered in public		
A1	Confirmation of the Chair and Vice-Chair	Resolved: that Councillor Patrick Codd be Chair of the Committee and that Councillor Alan Hall be Vice-Chair.
A2	Minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2020	Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting on 4 February 2020 be agreed as an accurate record.
A5	Financial stabilisation - budget update and medium term plan	<p>Resolved: that the Committee's comments be referred to Mayor and Cabinet as follows –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee is deeply concerned about the challenging financial situation facing the Council – both in the immediate term due to spending pressures and in the longer term as a result of the ongoing pandemic. • The Committee welcomes the management action being taken to control in-year overspending and it recommends prompt implementation of the measures that have been identified. • The Committee notes the difficulty of making cuts in a changing and uncertain environment. It recommends swift and effective alignment of the Council's plans for recovery from the impact of the pandemic with the development of proposals for budget cuts. • The Committee recommends that Mayor and Cabinet Members be focused and resolute in controlling overspending – particularly in relation to the pressures on the budgets for children's social care. The Committee also believes that attention has to be given to managing demand in social care for both children's and adult services.
A6	Final report of the Committee's commercialisation and culture change review	Resolved: that the report and recommendations be agreed – and submitted to Mayor and Cabinet.
A7	Select Committee work programme	Resolved: that with the addition of an item (on capital expenditure) for the March meeting – the work programme be agreed.