

Decisions taken by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 3 October 2023

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2023	RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2023 be agreed as an accurate record of proceedings.
A2	Declarations of Interest	None declared.
A3	Response to the Community Food Growing and Workspaces Task and Finish Groups	RESOLVED: That the responses be noted.
A4	Membership	RESOLVED: That Councillor Stephen Penfold be appointed to the Private Rented Sector Task and Finish Group in place of Councillor Will Cooper.
A5	Asset Management	<p>RESOLVED: That a referral be made to Mayor and Cabinet recommending that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The asset management strategy should come to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee prior to its consideration by Mayor & Cabinet (at the Committee’s meeting on 6 February 2024, if timelines allow) • There should be a wider consideration of the value of land - its economic value, geographical location and social value should all be key considerations in the decision-making process for the development or disposals of assets • Master planning for the long-term use of the Council’s assets should take place, including combined use, creative zones and industrial units • The Council should consider a wider acquisition strategy • A more ambitious investment partnership strategy should be adopted • All assets proposed for disposal or change of use should be highlighted to scrutiny, and ward councillors, including those below the key decision threshold of £1.5m • Equalities considerations should be part of all asset management decisions, with Equalities Analysis Assessments (EAAs) carried out where required • Ongoing clarity should be provided in relation to existing and potential plans for meeting net zero ambition, including planned and necessary works, as well as secured funding and gaps.