

## Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Held at Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton  
on Thursday 23 January 2020

### Present

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Councillors Bailey, Clark (Chairman), Cussons MBE, Garbutt Moore, Middleton and Raper

### In Attendance

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Will Baines, Jonathan Dodsworth, Anton Hodge, Gareth Mills, Christine Phillipson and Thilina De Zoysa

### Minutes

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#### 87      **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor Brackstone, Councillor Raine, Councillor Oxley and Councillor Keal.

#### 88      **Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.

#### 89      **Minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2019**

Decision
That the minutes of the meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 21 November 2019 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Voting record  
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0 Abstentions

#### 90      **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 91      **Chair's Announcements**

There were no Chair's announcements

### **PART 'A' ITEMS - MATTERS TO BE DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS OR MATTERS DETERMINED BY COMMITTEE**

#### 92      **Second Internal Audit and Counter Fraud Progress Reports 2019/20**

Considered – Report of the Chief Finance Officer (s151).

**Decision**

That the Committee notes the work undertaken by internal audit in the year to date.

Voting Record

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**Decision**

That the Committee notes the work undertaken by the counter fraud team in the year to date.

Voting Record

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93 **Internal Audit Plan 2020/21 - Consultation**

Considered – Report of the Chief Finance Officer (s151).

**Decision**

That Members agree to consider any specific risk areas and inform Internal Audit via the Chair of Committee or Committee clerk.

Voting Record

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94 **Grant Thornton External Audit Plan**

Considered – Report of Grant Thornton.

**Decision**

That the External Audit Plan be noted, thanks given to Grant Thornton and any comments fed back via the Chair of Committee or Committee clerk.

Voting Record

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95 **Update on the use of Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000**

Considered – Report of the Democratic Services Manager.

**Decision**

That Members note that no application for covert surveillance has been made to the Council’s approved “Authorising Officers” and as a consequence no application to the Magistrates Court requesting approval of any such grant has been made.

Voting Record

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96 **Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2020/21**

Considered – Report of the Chief Finance Officer (s151).

**Decision**

- (i) Members note this report;
- (ii) The Operational Borrowing Limit for 2020/21 is set at £6m;
- (iii) The Authorised Borrowing Limit for 2020/21 is set at £11.5m;
- (iv) Councillors delegate authority to the Chief Finance Officer to effect movement within the agreed authorised boundary limits for long-term borrowing for 2020/21 onwards.

- (v) Councillors delegate authority to the Chief Finance Officer to effect movement within the agreed operational boundary limits for long-term borrowing for 2020/21 onwards.
- (vi) The treasury management strategy statement 2020/21 be noted.
- (vii) The minimum revenue provision policy statement for 2020/21 be noted.
- (viii) The treasury management investment strategy for 2020/21 be noted.
- (ix) The prudential indicators for 2020/21 which reflect the capital expenditure plans which are affordable, prudent and sustainable be noted.
- (x) The Capital Strategy for 2020/21 be noted

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97 **Timetable of Meetings 2020-21**

Considered – Report of the Democratic Services Manager.

Note : Councillors Middleton and Garbutt-Moore to identify specific issues around overlapping school holiday and meeting dates and make comment to Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee and feed into Policy and Resources Committee.

**Decision**

That Council is recommended to note the timetable of meetings as a basis for working in 2020-21.

Voting Record

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98 **O&S Workplan**

Considered.

**Decision**

That the O&S workplan be noted. Chair of Committee made reference to the possibility of the next scheduled meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020 being cancelled or a working party to be scheduled in its place.

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99 **Dates for Future Working Party Meetings.**

A date to be confirmed in March for a Universal Credit working party to meet and visit the Job Centre.

100 **Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent.**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.10pm