



## Cambridge City Council

### CIVIC AFFAIRS

**To: Committee Members:** Councillors McPherson (Chair), Benstead (Vice-Chair), Cantrill, Pitt, Hart and Robertson

**Alternates:** Councillors Bick, Moghadas

*Despatched: Tuesday, 20 January 2015*

**Date:** Wednesday, 28 January 2015

**Time:** 6.30 pm

**Venue:** Committee Room 1 & 2 - Guildhall

**Contact:** Glenn Burgess

**Direct Dial:** 01223 457013

### AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies for absence**
- 2 **Minutes of previous meeting** (*Pages 7 - 12*)
- 3 **Declarations of Interest**

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

- 4 **Public Questions**
- 5 **Electoral Review of Cambridgeshire**

Report attached separately.

- 6 Ernst & Young Report on Audit of Grant Claims (Pages 13 - 20)**
- 7 2013/14 Audit Scale Fee Variation (Pages 21 - 22)**
- 8 Council Tax Base and Business Rates Calculations (Pages 23 - 26)**
- 9 Planning Code of Good Practice (Pages 27 - 36)**
- 10 Pay Policy Statement 2015/16**  
Report attached separately.
- 11 Calendar of Meetings 2015/16 (Pages 37 - 40)**

# Information for the Public

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