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#### Dear Councillor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a meeting of the **SCRUTINY (POLICY AND PERFORMANCE) COMMITTEE** will be held in the **ASTOR THEATRE, Stanhope Road, Deal CT14 6AB** at these Offices on Wednesday 25 October 2017 at 6.00 pm when the following business will be transacted.

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Yours sincerely

Chief Executive

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#### **AGENDA**

# 1 **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

#### 2 **APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

To note appointments of Substitute Members.

# 3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Page 3)

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.

## 4 EK SERVICES FACE-TO-FACE SERVICE PROVISION AT DEAL AREA OFFICE

To scrutinise the proposals of the Director of Shared Services (EK Services) in respect of the withdrawal of DDC face-to-face customer service provision at the Deal Area Office.

The Chairman of the Scrutiny (Policy and Performance) Committee has indicated that the Committee will extend the arrangements for public speaking to cover this item of business.

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#### **Declarations of Interest**

## Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)

Where a Member has a new or registered DPI in a matter under consideration they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensations, withdraw from the meeting.

## Other Significant Interest (OSI)

Where a Member is declaring an OSI they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

#### Voluntary Announcement of Other Interests (VAOI)

Where a Member does not have either a DPI or OSI but is of the opinion that for transparency reasons alone s/he should make an announcement in respect of a matter under consideration, they can make a VAOI. A Member declaring a VAOI may still remain at the meeting and vote on the matter under consideration.

#### Note to the Code:

Situations in which a Member may wish to make a VAOI include membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items; where a Member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person; or where an item would affect the well-being of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position. It should be emphasised that an effect on the financial position of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc OR an application made by a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc would both probably constitute either an OSI or in some cases a DPI.