

# **Governance Committee**

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**Thursday 6 April 2023 at 2.00 pm**

**Town Hall, Sheffield, S1 2HH**

**The Press and Public are Welcome to Attend**

## **Membership**

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Councillor Julie Grocutt (Chair)  
Councillor Sue Alston (Deputy Chair)  
Councillor Penny Baker  
Councillor Christine Gilligan Kubo  
Councillor Dianne Hurst  
Councillor Mark Jones  
Councillor Mary Lea  
Councillor Mike Levery  
Councillor Bryan Lodge  
Councillor Joe Otten  
Councillor Mick Rooney

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## PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MEETING

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The Governance Committee is leading on work to transition to a committee system of governance from May 2022. It is a politically proportionate Committee which will be tasked with oversight of the transitional work and will approve the recommendations to be made to Full Council.

The Committee will be outward facing. The Council will not be working in isolation on this project but will seek input from outside the organisation, ensuring citizens are engaged and are provided with opportunities to help shape this programme of work. The Council will also be engaging the professional support of agencies such as the Local Government Association, the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny and Monitoring Officers from other local authorities which have recently transitioned or are about to transition to a Committee system. This will ensure the Council is supported through this period and learns from best practice to ensure that the system implemented in Sheffield responds to the needs of our City.

A copy of the agenda and reports is available on the Council's website at [www.sheffield.gov.uk](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk). You may not be allowed to see some reports because they contain confidential information. These items are usually marked \* on the agenda.

Members of the public have the right to ask questions or submit petitions to Governance Committee meetings and recording is allowed under the direction of the Chair. Please see the [website](#) or contact Democratic Services for further information regarding public questions and petitions and details of the Council's protocol on audio/visual recording and photography at council meetings.

PLEASE NOTE: Meetings of the Governance Committee have to be held as physical meetings. If you would like to attend the meeting, you must register to attend by emailing [committee@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:committee@sheffield.gov.uk) at least 2 clear days in advance of the date of the meeting. This is necessary to facilitate the management of attendance at the meeting to maintain social distancing. In order to ensure safe access and to protect all attendees, you will be asked to wear a face covering (unless you have an exemption) at all times when moving about within the venue.

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If you require any further information please contact Jay Bell email [jay.bell@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:jay.bell@sheffield.gov.uk).

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**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA  
6 APRIL 2023**

**Order of Business**

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- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Exclusion of Public and Press**  
To identify items where resolutions may be moved to exclude the press and public.
- 4. Declarations of Interest** (Pages 5 - 8)  
Members to declare any interests they have in the business to be considered at the meeting.
- 5. Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 9 - 20)  
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 9 February, 2023.
- 6. Public Questions and Petitions**  
To receive any questions or petitions from members of the public.
- 7. 6 Month Review of Governance Arrangements** (Pages 21 - 68)  
Report of the Interim General Counsel and the Director of Policy and Democratic Engagement.
- 8. Date of Next Meeting**  
The next meeting of the Committee will be held on a date and time to be agreed.