GOVERNANCE, STRATEGY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY BOARD
Agenda

Date	Thursday 19 November 2026
Time	6.00 pm
Venue	JR Clynes Building, Cultural Quarter, Greaves Street, Oldham, OL1 1AL
Notes	1. Declarations of Interest- If a Member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote he/she is advised to contact Alex Bougatef or Constitutional Services at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. 2. Contact officer for this agenda is Constitutional Services email constitutional.services@oldham.gov.uk 3. Public Questions - Any Member of the public wishing to ask a question at the above meeting can do so only if a written copy of the question is submitted to the contact officer by 12 noon on Monday, 16 November 2026. 4. Filming - The Council, members of the public and the press may record / film / photograph or broadcast this meeting when the public and the press are not lawfully excluded. Any member of the public who attends a meeting and objects to being filmed should advise the Constitutional Services Officer who will instruct that they are not included in the filming. Please note that anyone using recording equipment both audio and visual will not be permitted to leave the equipment in the room where a private meeting is held. Membership of the GOVERNANCE, STRATEGY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY BOARD Councillors Azad, Brooks, Charters, F Hussain, J. Hussain, Ibrahim, Jabbar, Jackson, Kenyon, Robinson and Woodvine (Chair)

Item No

1 Apologies For Absence

2 Urgent Business

Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair

3 Declarations of Interest

To Receive Declarations of Interest in any matter to be discussed at the meeting.

4 Public Question Time

To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

5 Minutes (Pages 7 - 28)

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Governance, Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Board held on 22nd October 2026 are attached for approval.

6 Executive Decisions Made by the Chief Executive

Chair to report

7 Contract Award - Care At Home (Pages 29 - 36)

To consider proposals for the award of contract for the Care at Home Service

8 Royton Library - Approval of Expenditure for Urgent Asbestos Remediation and Associated Enabling Works (Pages 37 - 42)

A report considering proposals for works at Royton Library

9 Grant of a lease for Poppyfield House and Willow House (Pages 43 - 52)

A report outlining proposals for the grant of a lease for Poppyfield House and Willow House

10 Treasury Management Half Year Review Report 2026/27 (Pages 53 - 82)

A report that reviews the Council's Treasury Management, position at the mid-point of 2026/27 (30th September 20206).

11 Revenue Monitor and Capital Investment Programme 2026/27 (Pages 83 - 126)

To consider a report that provides members with an update, as at 30th September 2026 (end date of Quarter 2, 2026/27), of the Council's 2026/27 forecast revenue budget position.

12 Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2027/2028 (Pages 127 - 142)

To consider the Authority's proposed Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2027/28.

13 Income and Debt Management Action Plan Update (Pages 143 - 154)

A report that seeks approval to appoint Liberata to provide assistance in recovering aged debt and to undertake a review of our Council Tax Single Person Discounts.

14 Transformation Programme (Pages 155 - 158)

A report that considers the purpose and rationale for the Transformation Fund and approval of utilising the fund for four separate cases for change

15 Procurement of Specialist Robotic Process Automation (RPA) Consultancy Support (Pages 159 - 202)

A report seeking approval to procure specialist Robotic Process Automation (RPA) consultancy support, up to a £194.000 (excluding VAT), to establish, accelerate and embed an internal RPA capability within the Council.

16 Appropriation of land for Planning Purposes for land at Southlink, St Mary's. (Pages 203 - 216)

The purpose of the report is to utilise powers under S122 of the Local Government Act 1972 to appropriate the land for planning purposes at Southlink, Oldham.

17 Highways Asset Management & Professional Services Framework (Pages 217 - 224)

A report that seeks approval to establish new framework to provide specialist asset management and professional services to ensure continued compliance with Department for Transport transparency reporting and incentive funding.

18 Direct Award - Fleet Managed Stores (Pages 225 - 228)

A report detailing options for the delivery of fleet managed services

19 Sustainable Rainwater Management donation (Pages 229 - 258)

To consider a report seeking approval to accept a donation of £360,100 (split into two milestone payments of £200,000 & £160,100) from United Utilities Plc's Sustainable Rainwater Fund.

20 Acceptance of Funding and Commencement of Delivery of the National Jobs Guarantee Programme - Oldham (Pages 259 - 274)

A report that seeks approval of Oldham Council's participation in the National

Jobs Guarantee Programme as a delivery partner within the GC Employment supply chain.

21 Live Well Journey to Employment Future Delivery Proposal for a 15 - 24 Education, Employment and Training (EET) Support Service (Pages 275 - 296)

A report that seeks the agreement of proposals for a new service and agree for officers to continue to work with Procurement timescales to achieve a 1st April 2027 delivery start date, to facilitate the "Live Well" journey to employment future delivery proposals for a Education, Employment and Training Support Service.

22 Acceptance of GMCA Housing Enforcement Grants (Pages 297 - 304)

Acceptance is sought for an additional £185,000 in grant funding from the GMCA in relation to enhancing enforcement of housing standards and to utilise £35,000 of Selective Licensing reserves for match funding.

23 Approval of the 2026/27 Rough Sleeping Programme Grant and Proposed Expenditure (Pages 305 - 318)

A report to consider approval of the 2026/27 Rough Sleeping Programme Grant.

24 Latic Zone - High Needs Provisions Capital Allocation (Pages 319 - 416)

Approval is sought to accept the most advantageous tender submission in relation to the refurbishment of the location previously known as Latics Zone and which is now part of Kingsland Pupil Referral Unit.

25 Oldham Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2026 - 2031 (Pages 417 - 540)

A report that seeks approval for the new Homelessness Strategy 2026 - 2031.

26 Greater Manchester Minerals and Waste Plan (Pages 541 - 562)

To consider proposals for the Greater Manchester Minerals and Waste Plan

27 Digital & Data Strategy Documents (Pages 563 - 594)

A report that seeks approval for the Digital Data and Technology Strategy 2025 to 2030 and the Data Strategy 2025 to 2030.

28 Local Area Network (LAN) Refresh Programme (Pages 595 - 598)

A report detailing options for a local area network refresh programme

29 Firewall Colocation Hosting and Data Centre Exit (Pages 599 - 602)

To consider a report regarding a firewall co-location hosting and data centre exit service

30 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To consider that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following seven items of business, pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that discussions may involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, under paragraph 3 as defined in the provisions of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

31 Contract Award - Care at Home (Pages 603 - 630)

To consider confidential recommendations

32 Royton Library - Approval of Expenditure for Urgent Asbestos Remediation and Associated Enabling Works (Pages 631 - 652)

To consider confidential recommendations

33 Grant of a lease for Poppyfield House and Willow House (Pages 653 - 670)

To consider confidential recommendations

34 Direct Award - Fleet Managed Stores (Pages 671 - 684)

To consider confidential recommendations

35 Local Area Network (LAN) Refresh Programme (Pages 685 - 694)

To consider confidential recommendations

36 Firewall Colocation Hosting and Data Centre Exit (Pages 695 - 706)

To consider confidential recommendations

37 Transformation Programme (Pages 707 - 816)

To consider confidential recommendations