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## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE “SPOTLIGHT” MEETING

You are summoned to a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee which will be held in Committee Rooms 1 & 2, Council Offices, Woodgreen, Witney, Oxfordshire OX28 1NB on **Monday, 18 December 2023 at 5.30 pm.**



Giles Hughes  
Chief Executive

To: Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Councillors: Andrew Beaney (Chair), Rizvana Poole (Vice-Chair), Thomas Ashby, Hugo Ashton, David Cooper, Julian Cooper, Rachel Crouch, Jane Doughty, Phil Godfrey, Andy Goodwin, Natalie King, Nick Leverton, Andrew Lyon, Michele Mead, David Melvin, Mathew Parkinson, Carl Rylett, Sandra Simpson, Ruth Smith, Harry St John, Alistair Wray, Liam Walker, Mark Walker and Alex Wilson

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# AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence and Temporary Appointments**  
To receive any apologies for absence and note any temporary appointments.
2. **Declarations of Interest**  
To receive any declarations from Members of the Committee on any items to be considered at the meeting
3. **Minutes of previous meeting**  
The draft minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2023 will be considered at the meeting on 10 January 2024.
4. **Participation of the Public**  
To receive any submissions from members of the public, in accordance with the Council's Rules of Procedure.
5. **Publica Review (Pages 3 - 32)**  
Purpose:  
To outline the conclusions from the recent Strategic Review of Publica Services carried out by Human Engine on behalf of the four Publica Councils, and to consider the next steps.

The Committee agreed to hold an additional "Spotlight" meeting to consider this item.

Recommendation:

That the Committee resolves to:

1. Note the report.
2. Make any comments or recommendations that the Committee wishes to make on the next steps for the Council and partners.

Invited:

Councillor Andy Graham, Leader of the Council

Giles Hughes, Chief Executive Officer

Madhu Richards, Director of Finance

Andrea McCaskie, Director of Governance

Jonathon Noble, Managing Director of Human Engine (joining remotely)

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