

AGENDA

Meeting: Environment Select Committee

Place: Kennet Committee Room, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

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Time: 10.30 am

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PART I

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1 Apologies

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (*Pages 7 - 12*)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Environment Select Committee meeting held on 13 June 2017.

3 Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

4 Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements through the Chairman.

5 Public Participation

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

Statements

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Questions

To receive any questions from members of the public or members of the Council received in accordance with the constitution.

Those wishing to ask questions are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named on the front of this agenda no later than 5pm on **12 September 2017** in order to be guaranteed of a written response. In order to receive a verbal response questions must be submitted no later than 5pm on **14 September 2017**. Please contact the officer named on the front of this agenda for further advice. Questions may be asked without notice if the Chairman decides that the matter is urgent.

Details of any questions received will be circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

6 Municipal Waste Management Strategy (Pages 13 - 28)

At the meeting of Environment Select Committee held on 25 October 2016, members considered a report which provided an update on the council's existing Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy 2006 to 2016.

During the October 2016 meeting, the Committee resolved that elected members should have a greater role in the early development of the new strategy (post 2016). As a result member workshops were scheduled, in order to aid the discussion of key waste management challenges and the future of household waste and recycling services delivered by Wiltshire Council.

The Committee will receive the report on the outcome from the member workshops held in July 2017 and how this has been used to develop the questions for a public consultation survey.

7 Amendments to the Wiltshire Local Transport Plan (LTP) - Car Parking Strategy 2011-2026 (Pages 29 - 56)

The current Wiltshire LTP Car Parking Strategy was approved by Cabinet at its meeting on 17 March 2015. This approval came after a comprehensive review of the strategy in 2014; which included a pre-consultation with key stakeholders to agree the method and objectives of the review, followed by a public consultation exercise which attracted over 5,000 responses from individuals and organisations.

At its meeting on 12 September 2017, Cabinet considered a report on possible car parking charging options. As part of this report, Cabinet was asked to consider and agree possible car parking charging options for inclusion in a subsequent public consultation exercise.

The Committee will consider a report on the Council's LTP Car Parking Strategy, as well as what the role of the Committee could be in the process of amendments to the Strategy.

8 Final Report of the Public Transport Review Task Group (Pages 57 - 66)

The budget for 2015/16 included strategic savings of £0.5m, to result from a complete review and transformation of public transport in the county. During the debate on this budget proposal, the Cabinet Member invited early engagement by overview and scrutiny in order to provide positive challenge during the review period. It was agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee that the Environment Select Committee would establish a Task Group that would look into public transport; with representation from all of the select committees.

The Committee is asked to consider and endorse the findings and recommendations of the Task Group and then to refer this item to the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste for a response.

9 Flood Risk Management *(Pages 67 - 80)*

Wiltshire has experienced severe flooding in previous years, especially in 2014 when over 500 properties were flooded and a number of roads had to be temporarily closed to traffic. Many communities in Wiltshire have experienced at first hand the damage, distress and disruption that flooding can cause.

The Flood and Water Management Act 2010 requires Wiltshire Council to act as Lead Local Flood Authority, and to develop a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy. The Council has set up local flood working groups and has a significant programme of drainage improvement, as well as flood alleviation schemes to help to manage flood risk in Wiltshire and to reduce the risk to our communities.

The Committee will receive a report on the annual update flood and the work that has been carried out in regard to flood risk management over the past 12 months.

10 Housing Board *(Pages 81 - 136)*

At its 22 January 2013 meeting, Cabinet resolved that it approved the setting up of a Management Board for the governance of Council housing; consisting of an equal number of Councillors, tenants and independents, with a recommendation that such a panel should be in place by April 2013. Thus, the Housing Board was established. The Board comprises a total of 9 positions and Board Members are remunerated for their position.

The Council is required to review governance arrangements in collaboration with its residents at least once every 3 years, in order to maintain regulatory compliance. In light of this, 4 options have been proposed for the future arrangements of the Board.

The Committee will receive a report on the Housing Board and will consider which option to follow for the Board's future arrangements, the remuneration level and whether recruitment to vacant positions on the Board could commence.

11 Task Group Update *(Pages 137 - 144)*

Written updates on Environment Select Committee Task Group activity are attached.

12 Forward Work Programme *(Pages 145 - 152)*

To note and receive updates on the progress of items on the forward work programme.

Under the revised Overview and Scrutiny (OS) arrangements there is now a single OS work programme controlled by the OS Management Committee, linked to priorities in the Business Plan.

Therefore it should be noted that, whilst any matters added by Members are welcome, they will be referred to the OS Management Committee for approval before formal inclusion in the work programme for the Environment Select Committee.

A copy of the Overview and Scrutiny Forward Work Programme for the Environment Select Committee is attached for reference.

13 Urgent Items

Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.

14 Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next scheduled meeting as 21 November 2017.