

AGENDA

Meeting: Environment Select Committee
Place: Kennet Room - County Hall, Trowbridge BA14 8JN
Date: Tuesday 9 December 2014
Time: 2.00 pm

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1 Apologies

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (*Pages 1 - 6*)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Environment Select Committee meeting held on 28 October 2014.

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

If you would like to make a statement at this meeting on any item on this agenda, please register to do so **at least 10 minutes prior to the meeting**. Up to 3 speakers are permitted to speak for up to 3 minutes each on any agenda item. Please contact the officer named above for any further clarification.

Questions

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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 20 mph Policy Task Group Final Report (Pages 7 - 42)

The Wiltshire Policy on 20 mph Speed Limits and Zones and a report on the related consultation process were considered by the Environment Select Committee on 10 December 2013; the Committee resolved to establish a Task Group to review and aid in the development of the policy, as it was enacted.

The Task Group met on four occasions and explored the adequacy of the current policy with reference to a range of research and witness accounts. The Policy was reviewed, in light of whether it would enable the delivery of reduced numbers of casualties and increased road safety associated with the use of 20 mph speed restrictions.

The Task Group's final report is available to the Committee which is asked to consider and endorse the recommendations in the report.

7 Garden Waste Kerbside Collections (Pages 43 - 58)

During the summer of 2014 the Council consulted on three options for the future of the kerbside garden waste collection service as making savings on the service would enable funding to be realigned to deliver the Council's priorities. The consultation proved to be the most popular run by Wiltshire Council with over 15,000 responses and indicated the public's preference for the type of future service provision.

The results of the consultation are available to the Committee which is asked to note the conclusions drawn from the consultation and consider the options for the future of the kerbside garden waste collection service.

8 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Task Group Final Report (Pages 59 - 66)

The CIL Task Group was first established in August 2012 to test out the charging proposals for CIL and report on recommendations for the future implementation of CIL, this was achieved in December 2014 and the Task Group was stood down. The Task Group was reconvened in September 2014 to consider the recording and access of monies gained from CIL, and the distribution of monies to towns and parishes with and without established neighbourhood plans.

The Committee is asked to consider the Task Group's report, endorse its final recommendations and refer the report to Cabinet for response.

9 Adoptable Estates Task Group Report (Pages 67 - 80)

The Task Group was established prior to the elections in May 2013 based on concerns over the conditions attached to planning approvals being open to abuse or being ignored to the detriment of council activity, owner- occupiers and

tenants. This is manifested in the forms of: defaulting on or being slow to pay S106 money and failing to complete the installations of lighting, sewage and other infrastructure to a satisfactory standard for adoption resulting in long delays whilst problems are resolved.

It was agreed that the Task Group would continue as a legacy item at the June 2013 meeting of the Environment Select Committee.

The Task Group have met on five occasions to discuss the key issues surrounding the adoption of roads and services on new developments with the Service Director Economy and Regeneration, planning officers, legal services and witnesses such as: Persimmon Homes, Bloor Homes and Wessex Water.

The Task Group wish to highlight that due to the conflicting evidence received that it is felt that the task they were given is unable to be completed without further input and investigation at service level.

The Committee is asked to note the Chairman's foreword, consider the report and endorse its recommendations.

10 Forward Work Programme (*Pages 81 - 82*)

The Committee is asked to endorse the revised work programme and recommend approval by Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee.

A copy of the relevant section of the Overview and Scrutiny Forward Work Programme is attached for reference.

The Chair and Vice Chair, in conjunction with the Management Committee, met with Cllr Fleur de Rhé-Philippe on 25 November 2014, to discuss the potential for scrutiny involvement in work being done across the theme of the Economy. It was concluded that the Environment Select Committee may usefully seek involvement in reviewing the process of transferring community assets on a cost neutral basis for the Council. It was raised that the process currently in place is lengthy and that communities wish to improve its efficiency. This activity features as one of the 12 key actions in the Council's Business Plan.

11 Task Group Update (*Pages 83 - 84*)

A written update on Environment Select Committee Task Group activity is attached.

The Committee is asked to note the update and approve the membership of the Waste Task Group.

12 Urgent Items

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

13 Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next scheduled meeting as 17 February 2015.