

AGENDA

Meeting: Environment Select Committee

Place: Online

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Time: 10.30 am

Online Meeting

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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 - 14)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Environment Select Committee meeting held on 4 March 2020 and 16 June 2020.

3 Declarations of Interest

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

4 Chairman's Announcements (Pages 15 - 16)

To receive any announcements through the Chair.

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be taken as read at the meeting.

6 Overview & Scrutiny during COVID-19 (Pages 17 - 20)

Since April, the council has been operating streamlined Overview and Scrutiny (OS) arrangements comprising formal, public meetings of the Wiltshire COVID-19 Response Task Group and OS Management Committee. This was to enable efficient and effective scrutiny to be undertaken, while allowing council resources to be focused on the response to COVID-19 and supporting and protecting Wiltshire communities.

To support wider engagement, the select committees held informal meetings where members could raise issues and questions, which their chairmen then pursued at the formal forums above. The notes of Environment Select Committee's informal meeting on 25 November 2020 are attached.

In December, following discussion with the Leader and Chief Executive, the Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee agreed that the full select committee structure would resume formal, public meetings from January 2021. It was agreed that the OS forward work programme would focus on COVID-19 and other priority issues with an emphasis on efficient and effective scrutiny engagement.

Under these arrangements, each select committee will undertake scrutiny engagement on those aspects of the COVID-19 response that fall within its particular remit. To assist, a document setting out which Wiltshire Council Recovery Plan themes fall within this Committee's remit is attached.

Notes of each select committees' discussions of COVID-19 will be presented for information to OS Management Committee (which next meets on 26 January 2021), allowing it to oversee overall scrutiny engagement on the topic.

7 **COVID-19 update** (*Pages 21 - 42*)

A report from the Chief Executive is attached providing a summary of activity to mitigate the impact of the coronavirus in Wiltshire since the last update to Cabinet in October. The report provided here was published on 23 December 2020 and will be considered by Cabinet on 5 January 2021.

All four of the council's select committees will receive the report and, to avoid duplication, members are invited to focus their questions and debate within this select committees' remit only.

8 Highways Annual Review of Service 2020 (Pages 43 - 126)

As part of the Committee's ongoing scrutiny engagement with the highways and transport portfolio, the Committee has historically been receiving an annual review of service report for highways. The previous report was received on 5 November 2019, and the Committee will now consider the service report for 2020.

9 Household Waste Management Strategy Update (2020/21) (Pages 127 - 182)

The Environment Select Committee has regularly received updates on the Household Waste Management Strategy, the last being on <u>3 September 2019</u>. The Committee will consider a progress report for 2020/21.

10 Executive Response: Global Warming & Climate Emergency Task Group (Pages 183 - 198)

To receive a report detailing the Executive's response to the findings and recommendations of the Global Warming & Climate Emergency Task Group report part one which covered energy, transport and air quality.

Due to the streamlined Overview and Scrutiny (OS) arrangements operating since April 2020, the first report of the Global Warming and Climate Change Task Group was endorsed by the Overview & Scrutiny Management Committee on 29 September 2020.

11 Report Global Warming & Climate Emergency Task Group (Part Two) (Pages 199 - 240)

To receive the second report detailing the findings and recommendations of the Global Warming & Climate Emergency Task Group relating to planning.

12 Forward Work Programme (Pages 241 - 248)

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 3 March 2021.