

AGENDA

Meeting: Environment Select Committee
Place: Committee Room III, County Hall, Trowbridge
Date: Tuesday 6 July 2010
Time: 10.30 am

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Membership:

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| Cllr Chuck Berry | Cllr Alan Hill |
| Cllr Rosemary Brown | Cllr Chris Humphries |
| Cllr Nigel Carter | Cllr Tom James MBE |
| Cllr Peter Colmer | Cllr Ian McLennan |
| Cllr Peter Doyle | Cllr Stephen Oldrieve |
| Cllr Jose Green | Cllr Leo Randall |
| Cllr Mollie Groom | |

Substitutes:

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| Cllr Jane Burton | Cllr George Jeans |
| Cllr Trevor Carbin | Cllr Julian Johnson |
| Cllr Chris Caswill | Cllr Howard Marshall |
| Cllr Nick Fogg | Cllr Jeffrey Ody |
| Cllr Russell Hawker | Cllr Anthony Trotman |
| Cllr Charles Howard | |

PART I

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

1. **Election of Chairman**

The Committee is asked to appoint its Chairman for the ensuing year.

2. **Election of Vice-Chairman**

The Committee is asked to appoint its Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

3. **Apologies and Substitutions**

4. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** *(Pages 1 - 10)*

To confirm and sign the minutes of the Environment Select Committee meeting held on 11 May 2010.

5. **Declarations of Interests**

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

6. **Chairman's Announcements**

7. **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

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. The Chairman will, however, exercise his/her discretion in order to ensure that members of the public have the opportunity to contribute.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question should give written notice (including details of any question) to the officer named above by **12:00 noon on Friday 2 July 2010.**

8. **Housing PFI Scheme**

In response to the committee's ongoing interest in the proposed west Wiltshire Housing PFI, and as agreed at its last meeting, councillors will receive an oral update on progress towards finalising the contract.

The committee will recall that at its meeting in May the agreement had been referred to the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) with an anticipated response to be received in July. The PFI Project Manager will summarise the key developments since the referral.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to consider the update and decide if it wishes to make any representation to the cabinet member with responsibility for Housing.

9. **Real Time Passenger Information** *(Pages 11 - 16)*

The Committee considered a report from the Corporate Director for Transport, Environment and Leisure at its meeting in November which provided an overview of the delivery of Real Time Passenger Information in parts of Wiltshire. This was in response to an historic scrutiny interest in this topic which had resulted in the appointment of a Project Manager to oversee the system.

At this meeting the Committee requested a 6 month progress update and in response a report is attached from the Corporate Director for Neighbourhood and Planning.

Recommendation:

The Committee is asked to consider the report and assess whether it would like to send any recommendations/commentary to the cabinet member with responsibility for transport in relation to the future of RTPI in Wiltshire.

10. **Air Quality Strategy** *(Pages 17 - 22)*

Cabinet will be asked to approve an Air Quality Strategy for Wiltshire at its meeting in September. In advance of this decision the Cabinet member with responsibility for Air Quality has agreed to provide the Committee with an overview of the work undertaken to date in the development of the strategy.

Recommendation:

The Committee is asked to consider the information presented and recommend/comment as it feels appropriate towards the development of the final Air Quality Strategy for Wiltshire.

11. **Climate Change Strategy** *(Pages 23 - 64)*

In March the Head of Climate Change agreed to return to the Committee with an update on the development of the authority's Climate Change Strategy. A summary of the current progress is now attached in response, together with a report considered by Cabinet on 22 June.

The Head of Climate Change will be in attendance to give a short presentation on key developments within her Service.

Recommendation:

The Committee is invited to consider the development of the Climate Change Strategy and progress made against climate change objectives and make recommendations as appropriate.

12. **Housing Commission**

The Committee appointed Councillors Ricky Rogers and Ian McLennan at its meeting in May to represent scrutiny on the Salisbury Housing Commission. The Commission was formed in response to a recent audit commission review of the Council's management of the Salisbury Housing stock.

The Committee will receive an update on the scrutiny activity undertaken to date.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to consider the update and decide if it feels it necessary to make any representation to the Housing Commission.

13. **Forward Work Programme** *(Pages 65 - 68)*

A copy of the draft Forward Work Programme is attached for consideration.

14. **Date of next Meeting**

7 September 2010.

15. **Urgent Items**

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

PART II

Items during whose consideration it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed

NONE