

# AGENDA

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**Meeting:** Environment Select Committee  
**Place:** Kennet Room - County Hall, Trowbridge BA14 8JN  
**Date:** Tuesday 15 April 2014  
**Time:** 10.30 am

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## Membership:

Cllr Rosemary Brown	Cllr Alan Hill
Cllr Brian Dalton	Cllr Magnus Macdonald
Cllr Dennis Drewett	Cllr Ian McLennan
Cllr Peter Edge	Cllr Horace Prickett
Cllr Peter Evans	Cllr James Sheppard
Cllr Jose Green	Cllr Bridget Wayman
Cllr Mollie Groom	

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## Substitutes:

Cllr Terry Chivers	Cllr Stephen Oldrieve
Cllr Tony Deane	Cllr Jeff Osborn
Cllr Nick Fogg MBE	Cllr Ian Tomes
Cllr George Jeans	Cllr Nick Watts
Cllr Bob Jones MBE	Cllr Ian West
Cllr Jacqui Lay	Cllr Philip Whalley
Cllr Christopher Newbury	

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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 1 - 6*)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Environment Select Committee meeting held on 18 February 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 Chair.

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

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 above no later than **5pm on 8 April 2014**. Please contact the officer named on the first page 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 Highways and Streetscene Contract (Pages 7 - 16)**

a) Report from the Rapid Scrutiny Group

To receive a report in respect of the work of the Rapid Scrutiny Group and consider the proposals submitted.

b) Highways operational performance over winter

At its meeting in November 2013 the O & S Management Committee agreed that a progress report would be presented to the Environment Select Committee after the winter, addressing operational performance.

**7 Flood Plan Update (Pages 17 - 18)**

The Committee has a duty to scrutinise the Flood Plan. Following the extensive flooding this winter, the Flood Plan is being significantly reviewed and revised. An update on progress is provided for the Committee to note, in advance of the new Plan being presented to the Committee later in the year.

**8 Executive response to CIL Task Group**

The CIL Task Group presented its final report to Cabinet in December 2013.

The Task Group recommended that the Council should adopt several rates on their charging schedule for CIL, based on the viability of those rates within specific settlement categories. They also advised that student housing should be included in the residential rates as it was considered a lucrative market and could withstand the higher charges.

The Task Group agreed that strategic sites contributed significantly to on-site infrastructure, schools and strategic transport through section 106, and so considered that these sites should be charged at 50% of residential sites.

The original Executive Report to Cabinet had recommended a single, flat rate of CIL for residential properties. It was welcomed that a split rate was now being recommended, although it did not go as far as the Task Group had recommended. Rapidly changing CIL legislation had impacted on the work of officers and the Task Group throughout this exercise.

Cllr Toby Sturgis, Cabinet member for Strategic Planning, Development Management, Strategic Housing, Property, Waste will be in attendance to provide a verbal response.

## 9 **Executive response to Air Quality Task Group report**

The final report of the Air Quality Task Group recommended that:

- The 'template' created by the Calne Area Board to stage their Environment Event should be made available to other interested Area Boards;
- A mechanism/process should be developed to allow Area Boards to share examples of good practice/templates for other successful activities.

The Executive welcomed the recommendations of the Task Group and confirmed that the Calne Area Board Environment Event was on the agenda of the next Area Board Chairs' meeting.

It was also confirmed that the Area Board Chairs' meetings were the mechanism whereby examples of good practice could be disseminated.

## 10 **Community Speedwatch** (*Pages 19 - 20*)

The Police and Crime Panel (PCP) is currently running a Task Group looking at Voluntary Schemes, which includes Community Speedwatch. This topic also features on the Forward Work Plan of the Committee. To avoid duplication of effort, it has been agreed that the PCP will undertake this piece of work and the Committee will receive a copy of the PCP's final report. Members of the Committee are provided with an opportunity to feed into the work being undertaken by the PCP. A short paper (attached) lists some potential areas of interest.

## 11 **Forward Work Programme** (*Pages 21 - 22*)

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.

12 **Task Group Updates**

To receive verbal updates on the work of the Task Groups.

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 Tuesday 10 June 2014.