

## Chairman's Announcements

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Detailed Briefing Document on the Localism Act</b>
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### Summary of announcement:

The Localism Act received Royal Assent on 15 November 2011. **Although the Act contains a number of important measures, not all of the measures are in force. It will not be clear how the measures will work in practice until the government publishes regulations and guidance which are still awaited.**

The council has produced a detailed briefing document on the Localism Act which includes:

- an overview of the main components of the Localism Act
- the estimated timescales for measures to be introduced and regulations to be published - please see the 'Status' section for each measure
- the potential implications of the Localism Act for Wiltshire
- information on next steps for Wiltshire Council (and contact details for the lead officers for each part of the Act)

The briefing document is available online and copies are being made available to Town and Parish Councils via Area Board meetings.