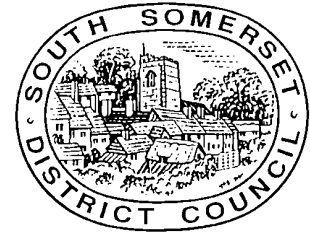


**South Somerset District Council**  
*Notice of Meeting*



## **Scrutiny Committee**

*Making a difference where it counts*

**Tuesday 4th August 2015**

**10.00 am**

**Main Committee Room  
Council Offices  
Brympton Way  
Yeovil  
BA20 2HT**

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Members listed on the following page are requested to attend the meeting.

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*Ian Clarke, Assistant Director (Legal & Corporate Services)*

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# Scrutiny Committee Membership

The following members are requested to attend the meeting:

**Chairman:** Sue Steele  
**Vice-chairmen:** Dave Bulmer and John Clark

Clare Aparicio Paul  
Jason Baker  
Gye Dibben  
Val Keitch

Tony Lock  
Sue Osborne  
Tiffany Osborne  
David Recardo

Garry Shortland  
Rob Stickland  
Martin Wale

## Information for the Public

### What is Scrutiny?

The Local Government Act 2000 requires all councils in England and Wales to introduce new political structures which provide a clear role for the Council, the Executive and non-executive councillors.

One of the key roles for non-executive councillors is to undertake an overview and scrutiny role for the council. In this Council the overview and scrutiny role involves reviewing and developing, scrutinising organisations external to the council and holding the executive to account

Scrutiny also has an important role to play in organisational performance management.

The Scrutiny Committee is made up of 14 non-executive members and meets monthly to consider items where executive decisions need to be reviewed before or after their implementation, and to commission reviews of policy or other public interest.

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**Our focuses are:** (all equal)

- Jobs – We want a strong economy which has low unemployment and thriving businesses
- Environment – We want an attractive environment to live in with increased recycling and lower energy use
- Homes – We want decent housing for our residents that matches their income
- Health and Communities – We want communities that are healthy, self-reliant and have individuals who are willing to help each other

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# Scrutiny Committee

**Tuesday 4 August 2015**

## Agenda

### *Preliminary Items*

**1. Minutes** (Pages 7 - 11)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 30 June 2015.

**2. Apologies for absence**

**3. Declarations of Interest**

In accordance with the Council's current Code of Conduct (adopted July 2012), which includes all the provisions relating to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), personal and prejudicial interests, Members are asked to declare any DPI and also any personal interests (and whether or not such personal interests are also "prejudicial") in relation to any matter on the Agenda for this meeting. A DPI is defined in The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012 No. 1464) and Appendix 3 of the Council's Code of Conduct. A personal interest is defined in paragraph 2.8 of the Code and a prejudicial interest is defined in paragraph 2.9. In the interests of complete transparency, Members of the County Council, who are not also members of this committee, are encouraged to declare any interests they may have in any matters being discussed even though they may not be under any obligation to do so under any relevant code of conduct.

**4. Public question time**

**5. Issues arising from previous meetings**

This is an opportunity for Members to question the progress on issues arising from previous meetings. However, this does not allow for the re-opening of a debate on any item not forming part of this agenda.

**6. Chairman's Announcements**

### *Items for Discussion*

**7. Verbal update on reports considered by District Executive on 2 July 2015**  
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**8. SSDC Telephony Response** (Pages 13 - 19)

**9. Reports to be considered by District Executive on 6 August 2015** (Page 20)

**10. Verbal update on Task and Finish reviews** (Page 21)

11. **Update on matters of interest** (Page 22)
12. **Scrutiny Work Programme** (Page 23)
13. **Date of next meeting** (Page 24)