South Somerset District Council

Notice of Meeting



Area East Committee

Making a difference where it counts

Wednesday 10th June 2015

9.00 am

Council Offices Churchfield Wincanton BA9 9AG

(disabled access is available at this meeting venue)



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

The public and press are welcome to attend.

Please note: Consideration of planning applications will commence no earlier than **10.45am.**

If you would like any further information on the items to be discussed, please ring the Agenda Co-ordinator, **Anne Herridge, Democratic Services Officer 01935 462570**, website: www.southsomerset.gov.uk

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Area East Committee Membership

Mike Beech Tony Capozzoli Nick Colbert Sarah Dyke-Bracher Anna Groskop Henry Hobhouse Tim Inglefield Mike Lewis David Norris William Wallace Nick Weeks Colin Winder

South Somerset District Council - Council Plan

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

Scrutiny Procedure Rules

Please note that decisions taken by Area Committees may be "called in" for scrutiny by the Council's Scrutiny Committee prior to implementation. This does not apply to decisions taken on planning applications.

Consideration of Planning Applications

Members of the public are requested to note that the Committee will break for refreshments at approximately **10.30** am. Planning applications will not be considered before **10.45** am in the order shown on the planning applications schedule. The public and representatives of Parish/Town Councils will be invited to speak on the individual planning applications at the time they are considered. Anyone wishing to raise matters in relation to other items on the agenda may do so at the time the item is considered.

Highways

A formal written report from the Area Highways Officer should be on the main agenda in May and November. A representative from the Area Highways Office should attend Area East Committee in February and August from 8.30 am to answer questions and take comments from Members of the Committee. Alternatively, they can be contacted direct through Somerset Highways direct control centre on 0845 345 9155.

Members Questions on reports prior to the meeting

Members of the committee are requested to contact report authors on points of clarification prior to the committee meeting.

Information for the Public

The Council has a well-established area committee system and through four area committees seeks to strengthen links between the Council and its local communities, allowing planning and other local issues to be decided at a local level (planning recommendations outside council policy are referred to the district wide Regulation Committee).

Decisions made by Area Committees, which include financial or policy implications are generally classed as executive decisions. Where these financial or policy decisions have a significant impact on council budgets or the local community, agendas will record these decisions as "key decisions". Members of the public can view the council's Executive Forward Plan, either online or at any SSDC council office, to see what executive/key decisions are scheduled to be taken in the coming months. Non-executive decisions taken by area committees include planning, and other quasi-judicial decisions.

At area committee meetings members of the public are able to:

- attend and make verbal or written representations, except where, for example, personal or confidential matters are being discussed;
- at the area committee chairman's discretion, members of the public are permitted to speak for up to up to 3 minutes on agenda items; and
- see agenda reports.

Meetings of the Area East Committee are **normally** held monthly at 9.00am on the second Wednesday of the month in the Council Offices, Churchfield, Wincanton (unless specified otherwise).

Agendas and minutes of Area Committees are published on the Council's website http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/councillors-and-democracy/meetings-and-decisions

The Council's Constitution is also on the web site and available for inspection in council offices.

Further information about this Committee can be obtained by contacting the agenda co-ordinator named on the front page.

Public Participation at Committees

This is a summary of the Protocol adopted by the Council and set out in Part 5 of the Council's Constitution.

Public Question Time

The period allowed for participation in this session shall not exceed 15 minutes except with the consent of the chairman of the committee. Each individual speaker shall be restricted to a total of three minutes.

Planning Applications

Comments and questions about planning applications will be dealt with at the time those applications are considered, when planning officers will be in attendance, rather than during the Public Question Time session.

Comments should be confined to additional information or issues, which have not been fully covered in the officer's report. Members of the public are asked to submit any additional documents to the planning officer at least 72 hours in advance and not to present them to the Committee on the day of the meeting. This will give the planning officer the opportunity to respond appropriately. Information from the public should not be tabled at the meeting. It should also be noted that, in the interests of fairness, the use of presentational aids (e.g. PowerPoint) by the applicant/agent or those making representations will not be permitted. However, the applicant/agent or those making representations are able to ask the Planning Officer to include photographs/images within the officer's presentation subject to them being received by the officer at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. No more than 5 photographs/images either supporting or against the application to be submitted. The Planning Officer will also need to be satisfied that the photographs are appropriate in terms of planning grounds.

At the committee chairman's discretion, members of the public are permitted to speak for up to 3 minutes each and where there are a number of persons wishing to speak they should be encouraged to choose one spokesperson to speak either for the applicant or on behalf of any supporters or objectors to the application. The total period allowed for such participation on each application shall not normally exceed 15 minutes.

The order of speaking on planning items will be:

- Town or Parish Council Spokesperson
- Objectors
- Supporters
- Applicant/Agent
- District Council Ward Member

If a member of the public wishes to speak they must inform the committee administrator before the meeting begins of their name and whether they have supporting comments or objections and who they are representing. This must be done by completing one of the public participation slips available at the meeting.

In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman of the Committee shall have discretion to vary the procedure set out to ensure fairness to all sides.

The same rules in terms of public participation will apply in respect of other agenda items where people wish to speak on that particular item.

If a Councillor has declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) or a personal and prejudicial interest

In relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, a Councillor is prohibited by law from participating in the discussion about the business on the agenda that relates to this interest and is also required to leave the room whilst the relevant agenda item is being discussed.

Under the new Code of Conduct adopted by this Council in July 2012, a Councillor with a personal and prejudicial interest (which is not also a DPI) will be afforded the same right as a member of the public to speak in relation to the relevant business and may also answer any questions, except that once the Councillor has addressed the Committee the Councillor will leave the room and not return until after the decision has been made.

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Agenda

Preliminary Items

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

To agree the Minutes of the special Area East Committee meeting held on 31st March 2015 and the last scheduled meeting that was held on 8th April 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 2112 (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.

Members are reminded that they need to declare the fact that they are also a member of a County, Town or Parish Council as a Personal Interest. As a result of the change made to the Code of Conduct by this Council at its meeting on 15th May 2014, where you are also a member of Somerset County Council and/or a Town or Parish Council within South Somerset you must declare a prejudicial interest in any business on the agenda where there is a financial benefit or gain or advantage to Somerset County Council and/or a Town or Parish Council which would be at the cost or to the financial disadvantage of South Somerset District Council. If you have a prejudicial interest you must comply with paragraphs 2.9(b) and 2.9(c) of the Code.

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.

Planning Applications Referred to the Regulation Committee

The following members of this Committee are also members of the Council's Regulation Committee:

Councillors Sarah Dyke-Bracher, Tony Capozzoli and Nick Weeks

Where planning applications are referred by this Committee to the Regulation Committee for determination, in accordance with the Council's Code of Practice on Planning,

Members of the Regulation Committee can participate and vote on these items at the Area Committee and at Regulation Committee. In these cases the Council's decision-making process is not complete until the application is determined by the Regulation Committee. Members of the Regulation Committee retain an open mind and will not finalise their position until the Regulation Committee. They will also consider the matter at Regulation Committee as Members of that Committee and not as representatives of the Area Committee.

4. Public Participation at Committees

- a) Questions/comments from members of the public
- b) Questions/comments from representatives of parish/town councils

This is a chance for members of the public and representatives of Parish/Town Councils to participate in the meeting by asking questions, making comments and raising matters of concern. Parish/Town Council representatives may also wish to use this opportunity to ask for the District Council's support on any matter of particular concern to their Parish/Town. The public and representatives of Parish/Town Councils will be invited to speak on any planning related questions later in the agenda, before the planning applications are considered.

- 5. Reports from Members Representing the District Council on Outside Organisations
- 6. Feedback on Reports referred to the Regulation Committee
- 7. Chairman Announcements
- 8. Date of Next Meeting

Members are asked to note that the next scheduled meeting of the committee will be held on 8th July 2015 at 9.00am at the Council Offices, Churchfield, Wincanton.

Items for Discussion

- 9. Highways report Area East (Pages 1 4)
- 10. Area East Development Budget Outturn Report (Executive Decision) (Pages 5 10)
- 11. Community Health and Leisure Service Update (Pages 11 19)
- 12. Wincanton Sports Ground Request for a one-off contribution towards a Sports Development Officer post (Executive Decision) (Pages 20 23)
- 13. Community and Leisure Capital Grant Request (Executive Decision) (Pages 24 33)
- 14. Retail Support Initiative Grant Application (Executive Decision) (Pages 34 37)
- **15.** The Retail Support Initiative update (Pages 38 44)

- 16. Area East Committee Working Groups and Outside Organisations Appointment of Members 2015/16 (Executive Decision) (Pages 45 47)
- 17. Development Control Scheme of Delegation Nomination of Substitutes for Area East Chairman and Vice Chairman 2015/16 (Executive Decision) (Page 48)
- **18.** Area East Committee Forward Plan (Pages 49 50)
- **19. Item for Information** (Pages 51 56)
- 20. Schedule of Planning Applications to be Determined by Committee (Pages 57 58)
- 21. 14/03377/OUT Outline application for the development of 54 residential units, care home, allotments and heritage interpretation board(s) together with associated access, parking, landscaping and infrastructure on land at Gainsborough, Milborne Port (Pages 59 75)
- 22. 15/00600/OUT Outline planning application for the erection of up to 11 no. dwellings (full details to be considered for plot 1) on Land at South Street, West Camel (Pages 76 87)
- 23. 15/00349/FUL Erection of a dwellinghouse on Land adjacent Heather House, Lovington, Castle Cary (Pages 88 94)
- 24. 15/01007/FUL Erection of a dwelling and village shop on Land to the South of The Red Lion Inn, North Street, Babcary (Pages 95 102)
- 25. 15/00522/FUL Proposed demolition of existing dwellings and construction of two dwellings at Bratton Lodge, Bratton Seymour To Cary Hill, Bratton Seymour (Pages 103 112)
- 26. 15/01153/FUL The erection of a boiler room and wood pellet store to serve a new bio mass boiler (Revised/Retrospective Application) at Northover Manor Hotel, Northover, Ilchester (Pages 113 118)

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