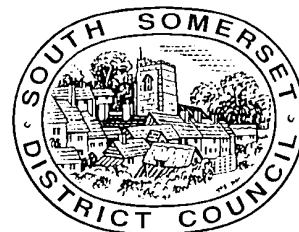


# South Somerset District Council

## Notice of Meeting



# Scrutiny Committee

*Making a difference where it counts*

**Tuesday 3rd January 2017**

**10.00 am**

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

(disabled access and a hearing loop are available at this meeting venue)



The following members are requested to attend this meeting.

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

Jason Baker  
Mike Beech  
Amanda Broom  
Val Keitch

Tony Lock  
David Norris  
Sue Osborne  
Garry Shortland

Rob Stickland  
Linda Vijeh  
Martin Wale

If you would like any further information on the items to be discussed, please contact the Democratic Services Officer on 01935 462596 or [democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk)

This Agenda was issued on Monday 19 December 2016.

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

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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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# Scrutiny Committee

## Tuesday 3 January 2017

### Agenda

#### *Preliminary Items*

**1. Minutes** (Pages 5 - 10)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 November 2016.

**2. Apologies for absence**

**3. Declarations of Interest**

In accordance with the Council's current Code of Conduct (as amended 26 February 2015), 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.

**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 1 December 2016**  
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**8. Budget / Finance Skills for Scrutiny Members** (Page 12)

**9. Reports to be considered by District Executive on 5 January 2017** (Page 13)

**10. Final Report from the Monitoring SSSDC Council Tax Support Scheme Task and Finish Group** (Page 14)

**11. Appointment of Members to Somerset Rivers Authority Scrutiny Panel** (Pages 15 - 18)

**12. Verbal update on Task and Finish reviews** (Page 19)

**13. Update on matters of interest** (Page 20)

**14. Scrutiny Work Programme** (Pages 21 - 22)

**15. Date of next meeting** (Page 23)