



**South Somerset
District Council**

Regulation Committee

Tuesday 21st July 2020

10.00 am

A virtual meeting via Zoom meeting software

The following members are requested to attend this virtual meeting:

Chairman: Peter Gubbins
Vice-chairman: Andy Soughton

Jason Baker
Neil Bloomfield
Malcolm Cavill
Adam Dance

Henry Hobhouse
Tony Lock
Sue Osborne
Crispin Raikes

David Recardo
Paul Rowsell
Linda Vjeh
William Wallace

Any members of the public wishing to address the meeting during either Public Question Time or regarding a Planning Application, need to email democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk by 9.00am on Monday 20th July 2020.

This meeting will be viewable online via:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSDst3IHGj9WoGnwJGF_soA

For further information on the items to be discussed, please contact:
democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk

This Agenda was issued on Monday 13 July 2020.

Alex Parmley, Chief Executive Officer

**This information is also available on our website
www.southsomerset.gov.uk or via the mod.gov app**

Information for the Public

In light of the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19), the Regulation Committee will meet virtually via video-conferencing to consider and determine planning applications. For more details on the regulations regarding remote / virtual meetings please refer to the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 as part of the Coronavirus Act 2020.

Regulation Committee

Meetings of the Regulation Committee are usually held monthly, at 10.00am, on the third Tuesday of the month (unless advised otherwise). However during the coronavirus pandemic these meetings will be held remotely via Zoom and the starting time may vary.

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Public participation at meetings (held via Zoom)

Public question time

We recognise that these are challenging times but we still value the public's contribution to our virtual meetings.

If you would like to address the virtual meeting during Public Question Time or regarding a Planning Application, please email democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk by 9.00am on Monday 20th July 2020. When you have registered, the Chairman will invite you to speak at the appropriate time during the virtual meeting.

The period allowed for participation in Public Question Time shall not exceed 15 minutes except with the consent of the Chairman and members of the Committee. Each individual speaker shall be restricted to a total of three minutes.

This meeting will be streamed online through YouTube at:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSDst3IHGj9WoGnwJGF_soA

Virtual meeting etiquette:

- Consider joining the meeting early to ensure your technology is working correctly.
- Please note that we will mute all public attendees to minimise background noise. If you have registered to speak during the virtual meeting, the Chairman or Administrator will un-mute your microphone at the appropriate time. We also respectfully request that you turn off video cameras until asked to speak.
- Each individual speaker shall be restricted to a total of three minutes.
- When speaking, keep your points clear and concise.
- Please speak clearly – the Councillors are interested in your comments.

Planning Applications

It is important that you register your request to speak at the virtual meeting by emailing democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk by 9.00am Monday 20th July 2020. When you have registered, the Chairman will invite you to speak at the appropriate time during the virtual meeting.

Comments about planning applications will be dealt with at the time those applications are considered, 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 cannot 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:

- County Council, Town or Parish Council Representative
- Objectors
- Supporters
- Applicant and/or Agent

Ward members, if not members of the Regulation Committee, will speak after the town/parish representative.

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

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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Recording of council meetings is permitted, however anyone wishing to do so should let the Chairperson of the meeting know prior to the start of the meeting. The recording should be overt and clearly visible to anyone at the meeting, but non-disruptive. If someone is recording the meeting, the Chairman will make an announcement at the beginning of the meeting.

Any member of the public has the right not to be recorded. If anyone making public representation does not wish to be recorded they must let the Chairperson know.

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<http://modgov.southsomerset.gov.uk/documents/s3327/Policy%20on%20the%20recording%20of%20council%20meetings.pdf>

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Agenda

1. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the Regulation Committee held on 2nd June 2020.

2. Apologies for Absence

3. Declarations of Interest

4. Public Question Time

**5. Planning Application 20/00251/OUT - Land South of Chilthorne Knapp
Chilthorne Hill Chilthorne Domer BA22 8QZ (Pages 6 - 21)**

6. Date of Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Regulation Committee will be held on Tuesday 18th August 2020 at 10.00am. However this meeting will only take place if there is business to conduct.