South Somerset District Council Notice of Meeting



Regulation Committee

Making a difference where it counts

Tuesday 15th April 2008

10.00 am

Council Chamber Council Offices Brympton Way Yeovil

The public and press are welcome to attend.

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If you would like any further information on the items to be discussed, please ring the Agenda Co-ordinator, **Angela Oxenbury** on Yeovil (01935) 462462 email: democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk, website: www.southsomerset.gov.uk

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Ian Clarke, Head of Legal and Democratic Services



Neighbourhood and Community Champions: The Role of Elected Members 2006-2007 Improving Rural Services Empowering Communities 2005-2006 Getting Closer to Communities

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Regulation Committee

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Information for the Public

Public Participation at Committees

This is a summary of the Protocol adopted by the Council and set out in Part 3 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 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 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: County Council, Town or Parish Council Representative Objectors Supporters Applicant/Agent

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

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.

If a Councillor has declared a personal and prejudicial interest

Under the new Code of Conduct, a Councillor will be afforded the same right as a member of the public, 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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- 1. Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th February 2008
- 2. Apologies for Absence
- 3. Declarations of Interest
- 4. Public Question Time

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6. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday, 20th May 2008 at 10.00 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Brympton Way, Yeovil.

Date: 15.04.08