South Somerset District Council

Notice of Meeting

Scrutiny Committee



Making a difference where it counts

Tuesday 3rd November 2009

10.00 am

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

The public and press are welcome to attend.

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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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- attend meetings of the Scrutiny Committee except where, for example, personal or confidential matters are being discussed;
- speak at Scrutiny Committee meetings; and
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 and the executive.

Meetings of the Scrutiny Committee are held monthly on the Tuesday prior to meetings of the District Executive at 10.00am in the Council Offices, Brympton Way, Yeovil.

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Our key aims are: (all equal)

- To deliver well managed cost effective services valued by our customers
- To increase economic vitality and prosperity
- To improve the housing, health and well-being of our citizens
- To ensure safe, sustainable and cohesive communities
- To enhance the environment, address and adapt to climate change

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Preliminary Items

- 1. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 29th September 2009
- 2. Apologies for Absence
- 3. Declarations of Interest
- 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
- 7. Verbal Update on Task and Finish Reviews

A brief verbal update of progress made by the Task and Finish Review Chairs

8. Verbal Update on Issues Raised at the District Executive meeting held on 1st October 2009

Items for Discussion

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- 9. Somerset Tourism Partnership Annual Scrutiny Report
- 10. Verbal update on the Wind Turbine at the Innovation Centre
- 11. Impact and Progress of Risk Management Policy
- 12. Scrutiny Capital Strategy Review Conclusions
- 13. Reports to be considered by District Executive on 5th November 2009
- 14. Scrutiny Work Programme
- 15. Executive Forward Plan
- 16. Date of Next Meeting