

South Somerset District Council

Notice of Meeting



Scrutiny Committee

Making a difference where it counts

Tuesday 5th January 2010

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

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Vice Chairman Jo Roundell Greene
David Bulmer

John Calvert	Tony Lock	Keith Ronaldson
John Vincent Chainey	Pat Martin	Alan Smith
Geoff Clarke	Roy Mills	Martin Wale
Carol Goodall	John Richardson	

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.

Members of the public are able to:

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

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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South Somerset District Council – Corporate Aims

Our key aims are: (all equal)

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

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Agenda

Preliminary Items

1. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 1st December 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 by the Task and Finish Review Chairs on progress made.

Items for Discussion

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8. Working in Partnership
9. Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA)
10. Capital Programme 2010/11 to 2014/15
11. Medium Term Financial Plan
12. Quarterly Performance and Complaints Monitoring Report – 2nd Quarter 2009/10
13. Verbal Update on Issues Raised by the Scrutiny Committee at the District Executive meeting held on 3rd December 2009
14. Reports to be considered by District Executive on 7th January 2010
15. Scrutiny Work Programme
16. Executive Forward Plan
17. Date of Next Meeting