

Informal Discussion by Members of Regulation Committee

Tuesday 1st June 2021

2.00 pm

A virtual consultative meeting via Zoom meeting software

The following members are requested to attend this virtual consultation meeting:

Jason BakerSarah DykeDavid RecardoNeil BloomfieldTony LockPaul RowsellMalcolm CavillSue OsborneLinda VijehAdam DanceCrispin RaikesWilliam WallacePeter GubbinsAndy Soughton

Any members of the public wishing to view or address the virtual consultative meeting during either Public Question Time or regarding a Planning Application, must email democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk by 9.00am on Monday 31 May 2021. The meeting will be viewable online by selecting the meeting on YouTube at:

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

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

This Agenda was issued on 20th May 2021.

Alex Parmley, Chief Executive Officer

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Information for the Public

At the meeting of Full Council on Friday 15th April 2021 it was agreed to extend the delegation of all Executive and Quasi Judicial decisions listed in the Constitution to the Chief Executive and to the relevant Director in the Chief Executive's absence where not already delegated, in consultation with the Leader of the Council (or Deputy) and the relevant Portfolio Holder, Ward Member and Committee Member if practicable to ensure that the Council can continue to operate on-line meetings.

Councillors will continue to receive decision-making reports and meet using virtual meeting teleconferencing technology and debate the reports. They will form a view which will be communicated to the Chief Executive. The decision will be formally made by the Chief Executive (or relevant Director). This is an interim measure to 31 July 2021 when we hope to return to in-person meetings.

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.

Agendas and minutes of meetings are published on the council's website: Browse Meetings, 2000 (southsomerset.gov.uk)

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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 consultative meetings. If you would like to participate and contribute in the meeting, please email democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk for the details to join the meeting.

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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.

If you would like to address the virtual consultative meeting during either Public Question Time or regarding a Planning Application, please email democracy@southsomerset.gov.uk by 9.00am on 31 May 2021. When you have registered, the Chairman will invite you to speak at the appropriate time during the virtual meeting.

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 will invite you to un-mute your microphone at the appropriate time.
- 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 on 31 May 2021. 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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Agenda

Preliminary Items

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest
- 3. Public Question Time
- 4. Planning Application 16/02874/FUL Land Adjoining Holbear, Forton Road, Chard TA20 2HS (Pages 6 147)