

AGENDA

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 14 October 2015

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT

Membership:

Councillors Mike Baldock, Andy Booth (Chairman), Lloyd Bowen (Vice-Chairman), Derek Conway, Mike Dendor, Mick Galvin, Mike Henderson, Ken Ingleton, Samuel Koffie-Williams, Peter Marchington, Prescott, Ben Stokes and Roger Truelove

Quorum = 4

Pages

1. Apologies for Absence and Confirmation of Substitutes

2. Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 September 2015 (Minutes Nos. 202 - 210) as a correct record.

3. Declarations of Interest

Councillors should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves or their spouse, civil partner or person with whom they are living with as a spouse or civil partner. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships.

The Chairman will ask Members if they have any interests to declare in respect of items on this agenda, under the following headings:

(a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) under the Localism Act 2011. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DPI, the Member must leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion or vote. This applies even if there is provision for public speaking.

(b) Disclosable Non Pecuniary (DNPI) under the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council in May 2012. The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared. After declaring a DNPI interest, the Member may stay, speak and vote on the matter.

Advice to Members: If any Councillor has any doubt about the existence or nature of any DPI or DNPI which he/she may have in any item on this agenda, he/she should seek advice from the Director of Corporate Services as Monitoring Officer, the Head of Legal or from other Solicitors in Legal Services as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

Part One - Substantive Items

4. Update on Sittingbourne Town Centre Regeneration 1 - 12
- The Cabinet Member for Regeneration and the Director of Regeneration have been invited to attend (report added 7th October 2015).
5. Review of Housing Services 13 - 14
- The Cabinet Member for Housing and Head of Resident Services have been invited to attend.
6. Council Tax Support Scheme 15 - 20
- The Cabinet Member for Finance and the Revenues and Benefits Manager (Technical and Financial) have been invited to attend (report added 7th October 2015).

Part Two - Business Items

7. Report back on call-ins
- The Chairman will provide a verbal report.
8. Reviews at follow-up stage and log of recommendations 21 - 22
- The Committee is asked to review the updated log of recommendations (attached).
9. Review Plans 23 - 30
- The Committee is invited to consider the updated review plans on:
- Planning Services (revised plan)
 - Tourism and Leisure (revised plan)
10. Other Review Progress Reports
- The Committee is asked to consider updates on other reviews.
11. Committee Work Programme 31 - 32
- The Committee is asked to review and discuss the Committee's Work Programme (attached) for the remainder of the year.
12. Cabinet Forward Plan 33 - 42
- The Committee is asked to consider the Forward Plan with a view to identifying possible items for pre-decision scrutiny.

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