

AGENDA

WESTERN AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 1 September 2020 Time: 7.00 pm Venue: Remote meeting via Skype*

Membership:

Councillors Mike Baldock, Monique Bonney, Roger Clark, Nicholas Hampshire, Alan Horton, James Hunt, Richard Palmer, Paul Stephen, Sarah Stephen and Corrie Woodford.

Quorum = 3

INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC

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- 1. Election of Chairman
- 2. Election of Vice-Chairman
- 3. Apologies for absence
- 4. Declarations of interest

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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.

(c) Where it is possible that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts would conclude that there was a real possibility that the Member might be predetermined or biased the Member should declare their predetermination or bias and then leave the room while that item is considered.

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 Monitoring Officer, the Head of Legal or from other Solicitors in Legal Services as early as possible, and in advance of the Meeting.

5. Public forum

The purpose of this agenda item is to enable members of the public to direct questions to the Chairman or suggest agenda items for future meetings

6. Purpose and role of Area Committees in Swale

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- 7. Brown tourism signs
- 8. Heritage issues
- 9. Conservation issues including ponds

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