

Notice of Overview and Scrutiny Board

Date: Monday, 16 November 2020 at 6.00 pm

Venue: Virtual Meeting - Via Teams



Membership:

Chairman:

Cllr S Bartlett

Vice Chairman:

Cllr T O'Neill

Cllr M Cox
Cllr M Davies
Cllr B Dion
Cllr M Earl
Cllr J Edwards

Cllr G Farquhar
Cllr D Farr
Cllr L Fear
Cllr P R A Hall
Cllr M Howell

Cllr D Kelsey
Cllr C Rigby
Cllr V Slade

All Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

The press and public are welcome to view the live stream of this meeting at the following link:

<https://democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?MId=4304>

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: claire.johnston@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Press enquiries should be directed to the Press Office: Tel: 01202 454668 or email press.office@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

This notice and all the papers mentioned within it are available at democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk

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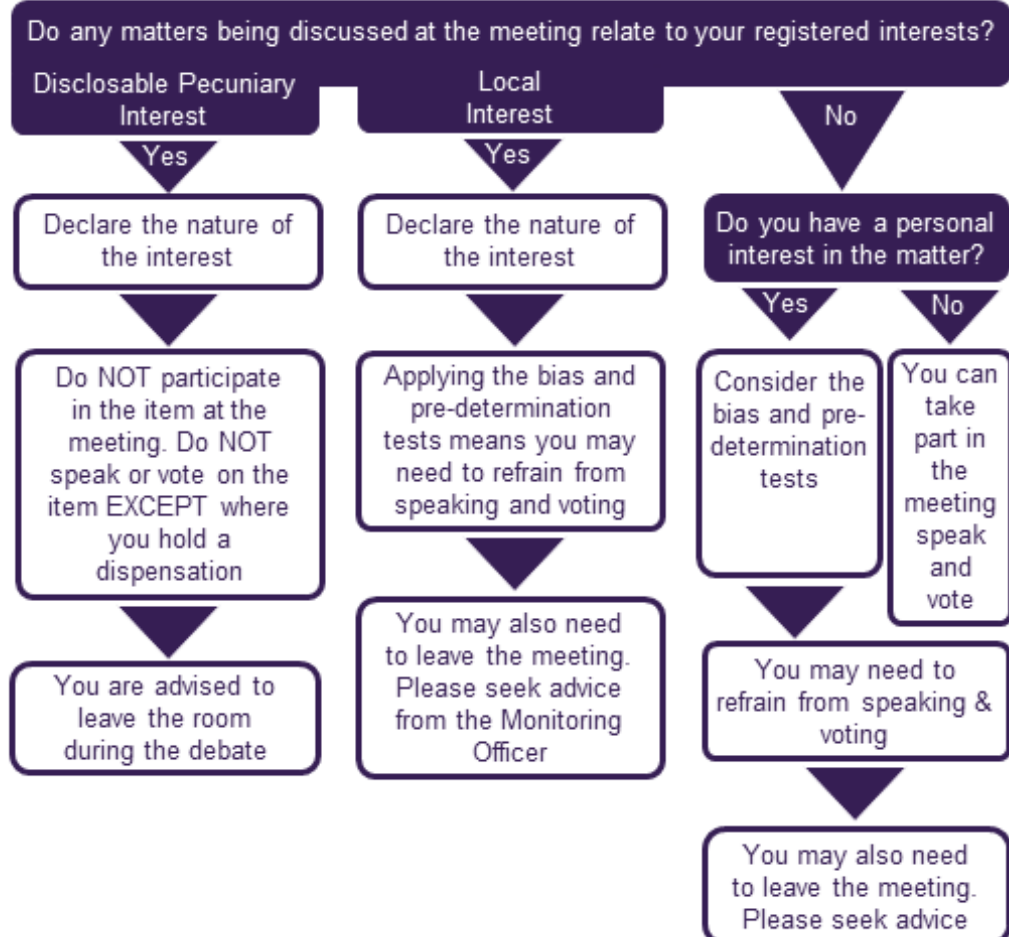


Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

Declaring interests at meetings

Familiarise yourself with the Councillor Code of Conduct which can be found in Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.

Before the meeting, read the agenda and reports to see if the matters to be discussed at the meeting concern your interests



What are the principles of bias and pre-determination and how do they affect my participation in the meeting?

Bias and predetermination are common law concepts. If they affect you, your participation in the meeting may call into question the decision arrived at on the item.

Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

Predetermination Test

At the time of making the decision, did the decision maker have a closed mind?

If a councillor appears to be biased or to have predetermined their decision, they must NOT participate in the meeting.

For more information or advice please contact the Monitoring Officer
(susan.zeiss@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

Selflessness

Councillors should act solely in terms of the public interest

Integrity

Councillors must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

Objectivity

Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

Accountability

Councillors are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this

Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

AGENDA

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1. **Apologies**

To receive any apologies for absence from Members.

2. **Substitute Members**

To receive information on any changes in the membership of the Committee.

Note – When a member of a Committee is unable to attend a meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee, the relevant Political Group Leader (or their nominated representative) may, by notice to the Monitoring Officer (or their nominated representative) prior to the meeting, appoint a substitute member from within the same Political Group. The contact details on the front of this agenda should be used for notifications.

3. **Declarations of Interests**

Councillors are requested to declare any interests on items included in this agenda. Please refer to the workflow on the preceding page for guidance.

Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

4. **Public Speaking**

To receive any public questions, statements or petitions submitted in accordance with the Constitution. Further information on the requirements for submitting these is available to view at the following link:-

<https://democracy.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/documents/s2305/Public%20Items%20-%20Meeting%20Procedure%20Rules.pdf>

The deadline for the submission of public questions is 4 clear working days before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a statement is midday the working day before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a petition is 10 working days before the meeting.

5. **Action Sheet**

To note and comment on the attached action sheet which tracks decisions, actions and recommendations from previous meetings.

6. **Update on BCP Council's Response to the Covid 19 Pandemic**

To consider an update from the Chief Executive, Public Health Dorset and relevant Portfolio Holders on the Council's actions in relation to the impact of Covid 19. Verbal updates will be presented at the meeting. The following councillors are invited, along with relevant officers, to attend for this item and provide updates in relation to their service areas:

Councillor Drew Mellor, Leader of the Council
Councillor Nicola Greene, Portfolio Holder for Covid Resilience, Schools and Skills
Councillor May Haines, Portfolio Holder for Community Safety

The Chairmen of the other Overview and Scrutiny Committees of the Council are also invited to attend and participate in this item.

7. Forward Plan

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To consider and amend the Board's Forward Plan as appropriate.

8. Future Meeting Dates 2020/21

To note the following meeting dates and locations for the 2020/21 municipal year:

- 7 December 2020
- 4 January 2020
- 1 February 2021
- 1 March 2021
- 1 April 2021

All meeting will be held via video conferencing until further notice.

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.