

Notice of Overview and Scrutiny Board



Date: Monday, 18 October 2021 at 6.00 pm

Venue: Committee Suite, Civic Centre, Poole BH15 2RU

Membership:

Chairman:

Cllr S Bartlett

Vice Chairman:

Cllr V Slade

Cllr L Allison
Cllr M Cox
Cllr L Dedman
Cllr B Dion
Cllr M Earl

Cllr J Edwards
Cllr D Farr
Cllr L Fear
Cllr S Gabriel
Cllr M Howell

Cllr D Kelsey
Cllr T O'Neill
Cllr C Rigby

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?MIId=4873>

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Claire Johnston on 01202 118686 or email claire.johnston@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Press enquiries should be directed to the Press Office: Tel: 01202 118686 or email press.office@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

8 October 2021



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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

Do any matters being discussed at the meeting directly relate to your registered interests?

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Yes

Declare the nature of the interest

Do NOT participate in the item at the meeting. Do NOT speak or vote on the item EXCEPT where you hold a dispensation

You must leave the room during the debate unless you hold a dispensation

Other Registerable Interest

Yes

Declare the nature of the interest

You may speak on the matter ONLY if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting

Otherwise, do NOT speak or vote on the matter and leave the room during the debate unless you hold a dispensation

No

Does the matter directly relate to your financial interest or well-being or those of a relative or close associate?

Yes

You must disclose the interest.

Does the matter affect your financial interest or well-being:
 (a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
 (b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest

Yes

You may speak on the matter ONLY if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting

Otherwise, do NOT speak or vote on the matter and leave the room during the debate unless you hold a dispensation

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, which is available to view at the following link:

<https://democracy.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeID=151&Info=1&bcr=1>

The deadline for the submission of a public question 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. Forward Plan

To consider and amend the Board's Forward Plan as appropriate and to consider the published Cabinet Forward Plan – please note that the Cabinet Forward Plan is due to be republished prior to the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting and therefore is not included with this agenda. The newly published forward plan will be available prior to the meeting:

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6. Request for Scrutiny from a Member of the Public

In line with the Council's constitution, the Overview and Scrutiny Board is asked to consider a request that has been received for scrutiny of the

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following issue:

- BCP Council's Planning Committee Structure

Any councillor or member of the public may request that a matter be scrutinised, and the Board must decide whether to include it into the Forward Plan for scrutiny at a future date.

The attached report and appendices are provided to aid deliberations on whether the topic should join the Board's Forward Plan.

7. Scrutiny of Skills Commission Cabinet Report

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To consider the Levelling Up - Creating a Skills Commission report scheduled for Cabinet consideration on 27 October 2021.

The O&S Board is asked to scrutinise and comment on the report and if required make recommendations or observations as appropriate.

Cabinet members invited to attend for this item: Councillor Nicola Greene, Portfolio Holder for Covid Resilience, Schools and Skills and Councillor Phil Broadhead, Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Economy and Strategic Planning

The Cabinet report for this item is included with the agenda for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Board.

8. Scrutiny of Regeneration Related Cabinet Reports

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To consider the following Regeneration related report scheduled for Cabinet consideration on 27 October 2021:

- BCP Commissioning Plan for Regeneration and Development and Urban Regeneration Company Business Plan

The O&S Board is asked to scrutinise and comment on the report and if required make recommendations or observations as appropriate.

Cabinet member invited to attend for this item: Councillor Phil Broadhead, Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Economy and Strategic Planning.

The Cabinet report for this item is included with the agenda for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Board.

9. Future Meeting Dates 2021/22

To note the following proposed meeting dates and locations for the 2021/22 municipal year.

- 15 November 2021
- 6 December 2021
- 5 January 2022

- 31 January 2022
- 28 February 2022
- 4 April 2022

All meetings will be held in the Poole Civic Centre and 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.