

Notice of Cabinet



Date: Wednesday, 13 December 2023 at 10.15 am

Venue: Committee Room, First Floor, BCP Civic Centre Annex, St Stephen's Rd, Bournemouth BH2 6LL

Membership:

Chairman:

Cllr V Slade

Vice Chairman:

Cllr M Earl

Cllr D Brown
Cllr R Burton
Cllr M Cox

Cllr A Hadley
Cllr J Hanna
Cllr A Martin

Cllr K Wilson

All Members of the Cabinet are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

5 December 2023

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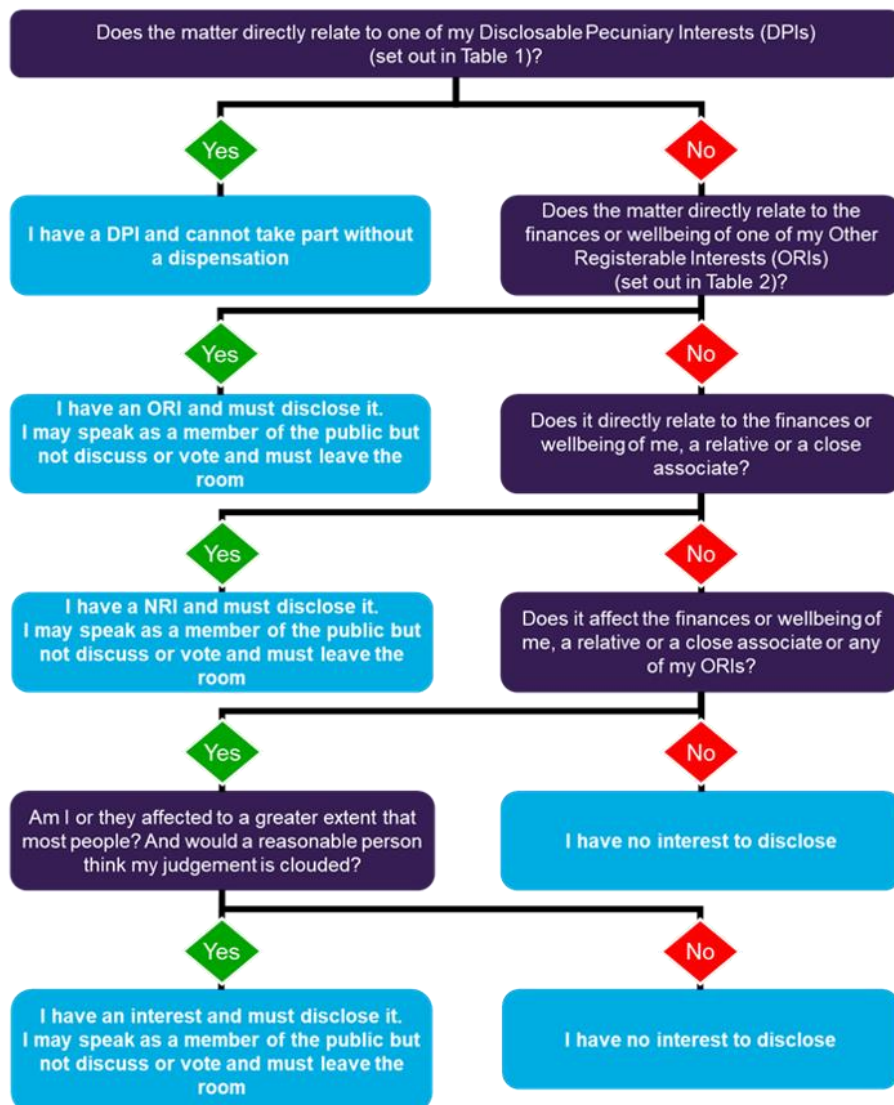


Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

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.

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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 Councillors.

2. 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.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 22 November 2023.

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4. Public Issues

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.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeID=151&Info=1&bcr=1>

The deadline for the submission of public questions is 12 noon, 3 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. Recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committees

To consider recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny committees on items not otherwise included on the Cabinet Agenda.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

6. Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) Update

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This report presents:

- Progress towards delivering a legally balanced budget for 2024/25.
- The latest medium-term financial plan (MTFP) of the council as updated for any identified implications of the governments Autumn Statement.
- In the first instance, that Cabinet has significantly completed the work to balance the 2024/25 revenue budget based on the £12m funding gap set out in the November report. However, predominately due to the higher than assumed National Living Wage announcement by Government that council needs to find an extra £6m to now close the gap.

In addition, the report proposes not to change the Local Council Tax Support Scheme (LCTSS) for 2024/25 and therefore the council will continue to operate the same scheme that it has operated since April 2019.

7.	Corporate Strategy 2023 – 2027 – High level summary	27 - 104
	<p>A new vision for the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole area has been developed with Cabinet Members and senior leaders, following a change in administration after local elections in May 2023.</p> <p>The new vision, referred to as the Corporate Strategy, replaces the Big Plan and previous Corporate Strategy, setting a single set of key priorities and ambitions for the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole area. Both the people and place agendas are balanced, and commitments are made to sustainability, equality and diversity.</p> <p>A draft high level summary of a new Corporate Strategy was the subject of wider engagement and consultation with residents and stakeholders, giving the opportunity to influence the Council's priorities prior to adoption.</p> <p>On the whole there was support for the themes identified and feedback has been taken on board, with a revised version presented in Appendix 2 for recommendation for adoption. A summary of the findings from the consultation programme are detailed in Appendix 1.</p>	
8.	Consultation on the Draft BCP Local Plan and the Draft BCP CIL Charging Schedule	105 - 494
	<p>The Draft BCP Local Plan sets out a vision, objectives and spatial strategy to protect and enhance the environment whilst addressing the needs for new homes, jobs and infrastructure until 2039. A range of policies and site allocations are included which will inform planning decisions once the BCP Local Plan is adopted.</p> <p>The Draft Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule sets out the charge per square metre new development must pay to fund supporting infrastructure.</p> <p>A six-week consultation is required on both documents before all feedback and evidence is submitted to the Secretary of State for examination.</p>	
9.	Housing and Property Compliance Update (Housing Revenue Account)	495 - 508
	<p>This report provides information on how the council meets its responsibilities in ensuring that all council housing within the Housing Revenue Account is managed in a way that meets compliance with current health and safety legislation, best practice and regulatory standards to ensure the health and safety of residents. It also sets out issues concerning compliance and demonstrates how these are being managed.</p> <p>The report provides performance information to the end of quarter 2, 2023/24. There are no significant issues of non-compliance to report.</p> <p>There are increased responsibilities placed on social landlords to manage the health and safety of residents primarily included in the Building Safety Act 2022 although many of its provisions require further secondary legislation.</p> <p>With the creation of BCP Homes, work has commenced to align policies and procedures regarding property compliance.</p> <p>Changes have also been made to the regulatory regime overseen by the Regulator of Social Housing through the Social Housing Regulation Act 2023. New national Tenant Satisfaction Measures are reported on since April 2023 which include those relating to maintaining building safety.</p>	

A BCP Homes Advisory Board is in place to support the work of the new BCP Homes service and the Portfolio Holder for People and Homes. The Board, consisting of independent, resident and councillor members will provide an additional element of oversight and assurance around many areas including property compliance.

10. Council Newbuild Housing & Acquisition Strategy (CNHAS) 2023-2028

509 - 626

This report makes recommendations regarding the progression of BCP Councils direct delivery housing response through CNHAS,

1. its drive towards the People & Communities key objective of **“ensuring everybody can live in good quality, sustainable and affordable homes”**
2. the pressing challenges posed by Homelessness and our robust acquisition & development response.
3. the social rent preference where possible in lieu of affordable rent - Hillbourne housing project leading the way!.

The report highlights 5 ‘critical aspects’ for this progression:

- **Key projects** - 7 major Housing projects to be achieved (some completed but all to have started construction works) by 2028, refer para-2.1.
- **Key Construction & planning commitments** - those schemes either currently being built, have yet to be contractually committed to or be submitted for planning approval.
- **Key partnerships** - Homes England, DLUHC (department of Levelling up Housing & Communities), Royal Foundation & various development & construction parties!
- **Key Context** – new Local Plan, 5-year BCP Council Housing Strategy - including **Homelessness** and the significant Temporary/move -on accommodation response needed – all led by the *Housing Delivery* service within the newly created directorate of Investment & Development.
- **Key Successes** – safe, sustainable homes & learning from Completed schemes and acquisition programmes.

11. Building Stronger Foundations - Children's Services Transformation Business Case

627 - 714

This report provides an update on the progress of the Children's Building Stronger Foundations (BSF) Programme. The programme is coordinating the action needed to sustain and accelerate the required improvements in children's services, namely the achievement of recurrent savings and to safely and appropriately manage and reduce the demand for statutory services. The report notes good progress made and proposes a detailed business case for a new service delivery model for children's services.

The proposed new model will bring together many services and support for children and families into locality arrangements, with two integrated locality teams within natural communities across the area. It will enable delivery of savings of £2.9m in 2024/25 growing to £5.3m per year by 2026/27, as well as securing current performance levels, improve impact and outcomes for children and young people, and create capacity to seek continuing improvement.

The model will enable the service to respond to the changing children's service agenda and be flexible enough to deal with un-predicted changes thereby building in system resilience. It will support the delivery of an early intervention

culture, assisting children's needs to be identified and met at early stages of concern to reduce the demands on statutory social care services.

[PLEASE NOTE: Should the Cabinet wish to discuss the detail of the confidential appendices the meeting will be required to move into Confidential (Exempt) Session]

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| 12. BCP Public Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy (PEVIS) and Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) grant | 715 - 802 |
| <p>The purpose of this report is to present the outputs from public engagement for a BCP Public Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy (PEVIS) to 2030 and to seek approval to adopt it.</p> <p>The BCP PEVIS has been developed in line with the guidance for the Department for Transport (DfT) Office for Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV) Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) fund. The council has been indicatively allocated £1.447m of LEVI funding subject to successful submission of a full business case that should include a PEVIS.</p> <p>The report also seeks approval to accept the LEVI grant (subject to award) and to invest it in accordance with the BCP PEVIS which aims to increase accessibility to electric vehicle (EV) chargers in residential areas. The purpose of seeking approval to accept the grant before final award is to accelerate delivery if/when the LEVI award is confirmed which is expected to be in January 2024.</p> <p>The BCP PEVIS is aligned with the emerging new Corporate Strategy and the Council Climate Action Strategy 2023 to 2028.</p> | |
| 13. Albert Road (Bournemouth) Loading Bay Proposal - P41 2023 | 803 - 818 |
| <p>To consider the representations received following the advertisement of the Traffic Order and to approve the making and sealing of the Order.</p> <p>This will enable the implementation of a new loading bay, replacing a disabled bay, in Albert Road, Bournemouth.</p> | |
| 14. Traffic Order Proposals, Canford Paddock Development Waiting Restriction Proposals P38 2023 | 819 - 908 |
| <p>On 27 July 2017 the Council's Planning Committee approved the development of 324 dwellings on the Canford Paddock site, this was later increased by an additional 45 dwellings to 369 at Planning Committee on 8 March 2022.</p> <p>As part of the planning approval the Council secured funding via a Section 106 Agreement (S106 Agreement) to implement Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) throughout the development, for the Highway Authority (The Council) to implement if required.</p> <p>This report presents the outputs of the statutory TRO consultation and recommends approval of the TROs to implement the changes on the ground in line with the Planning Decision.</p> | |
| 15. Urgent Decisions taken by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Constitution | |
| <p>The Chief Executive to report on any decisions taken under urgency provisions in accordance with the Constitution.</p> | |
| 16. Cabinet Forward Plan | 909 - 930 |
| <p>To consider the latest version of the Cabinet Forward Plan for approval.</p> | |

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.