

# Notice of Overview and Scrutiny Board



Date: Monday, 18 May 2026 at 6.00 pm

Venue: HMS Phoebe, BCP Civic Centre, Bournemouth BH2 6DY

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## Membership:

### Chairman:

To be elected

### Vice Chairman:

To be elected

The Membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Board is to be appointed at the full Council meeting on 12 May 2025.

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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=6462>

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Claire Johnston 01202 123663 or email [democratic.services@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

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

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AIDAN DUNN  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

8 May 2026

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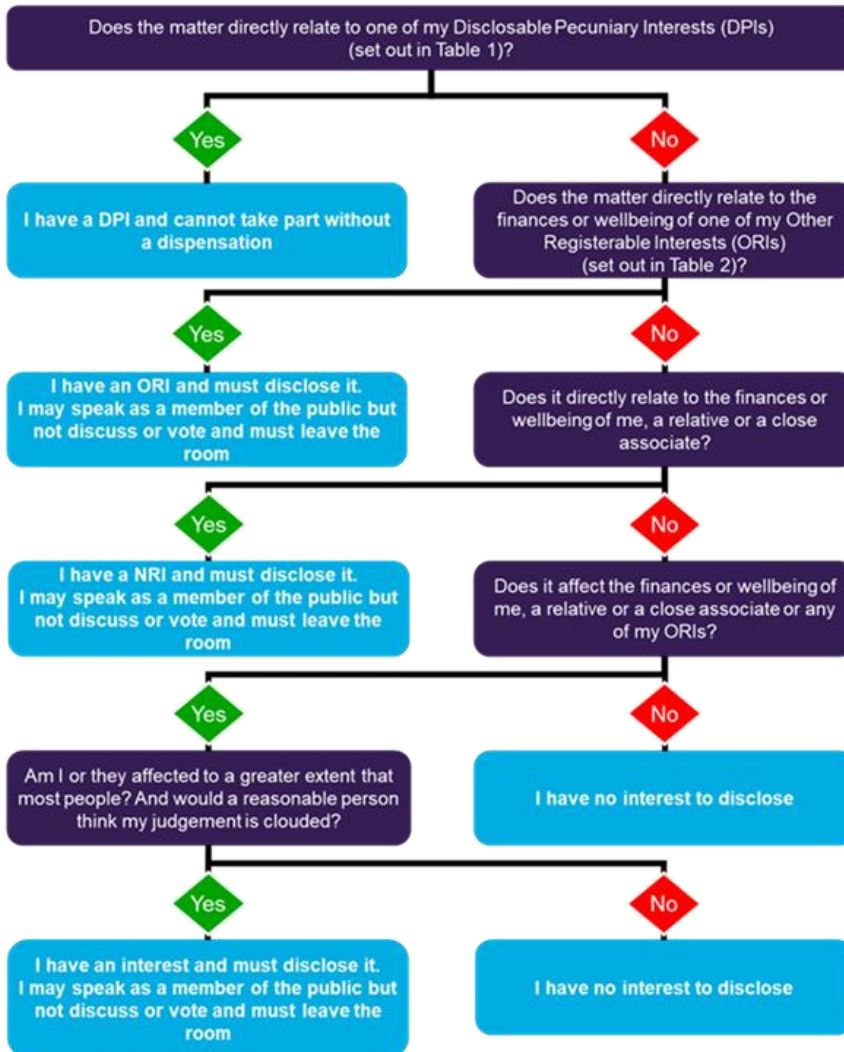


## Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

### 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

### 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. 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. Election of Chair**

To elect a Chair for the Overview and Scrutiny Board for the 2026/27 municipal year.

**4. Election of Vice-Chair**

To elect a Vice-Chair for the 2026/27 municipal year for the Overview and Scrutiny Board.

**5. 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.

**6. Confirmation of Minutes**

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 23 March 2026.

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**7. Recommendation Tracker**

For the Board to note the latest updates to the Recommendation Tracker and consider any outstanding actions.

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**7a. Feedback from Cabinet Portfolio Holder on recommendations to Cabinet**

To receive an update from the Cabinet Portfolio Holder on the Cabinet response to the recommendations from the Board with regards to the Consultation Framework Working Group.

## 8. 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 midday 3 clear working days before the meeting – Tuesday 12 May 2026.

The deadline for the submission of a statement is midday the working day before the meeting – Friday 15 May 2026.

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

### ITEMS OF BUSINESS

## 9. Local Plan process

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In June 2025, Cabinet agreed to prepare a new Local Plan under the Government's reformed plan-making system. The Government has now published the Regulations and guidance setting out the new process, which is intended to enable plans to be prepared and adopted within 30 months from Gateway 1. This report summarises the process and proposed timetable for preparing the new BCP Local Plan and seeks authorisation to undertake the Stage 1 ("Getting ready") activities, together with delegated authority to progress the Plan through the prescribed Gateway stages. Cabinet decisions will remain for each formal consultation stage.

## 10. Social Value Statement for BCP Council

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BCP Council does not have a Social Value Policy nor a Social Value Statement. In June 2025, CMB convened a Social Value Working Group to develop the Council's Social Value Statement, aligned to priorities within the Corporate Plan and BCP's Procurement and Contract Management Strategy.

Scope of the Social Value Statement includes leveraging social value through:

- Procurement and contract management
- External offers relating to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)
- Planning
- Economic Development
- Community-based projects.

## 11. Work Plan

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The Overview and Scrutiny (O&S) Board is asked to consider and identify work priorities for publication in a Work Plan.

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.