

# Notice of Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee



Date: Wednesday, 9 September 2026 at 6.00 pm

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

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## Membership:

### Chairman:

Cllr C Rigby

### Vice Chairman:

Cllr D d'Orton-Gibson

Cllr B Chick  
Cllr J Clements  
Cllr J Edwards

Cllr M Gillett  
Cllr C Goodall  
Cllr J Martin

Cllr A-M Moriarty  
Cllr Dr F Rice  
Cllr V Ricketts

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All Members of the Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee 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=6479>

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Rebekah Rhodes or email [rebekah.rhodes@bcpCouncil.gov.uk](mailto:rebekah.rhodes@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

1 September 2026

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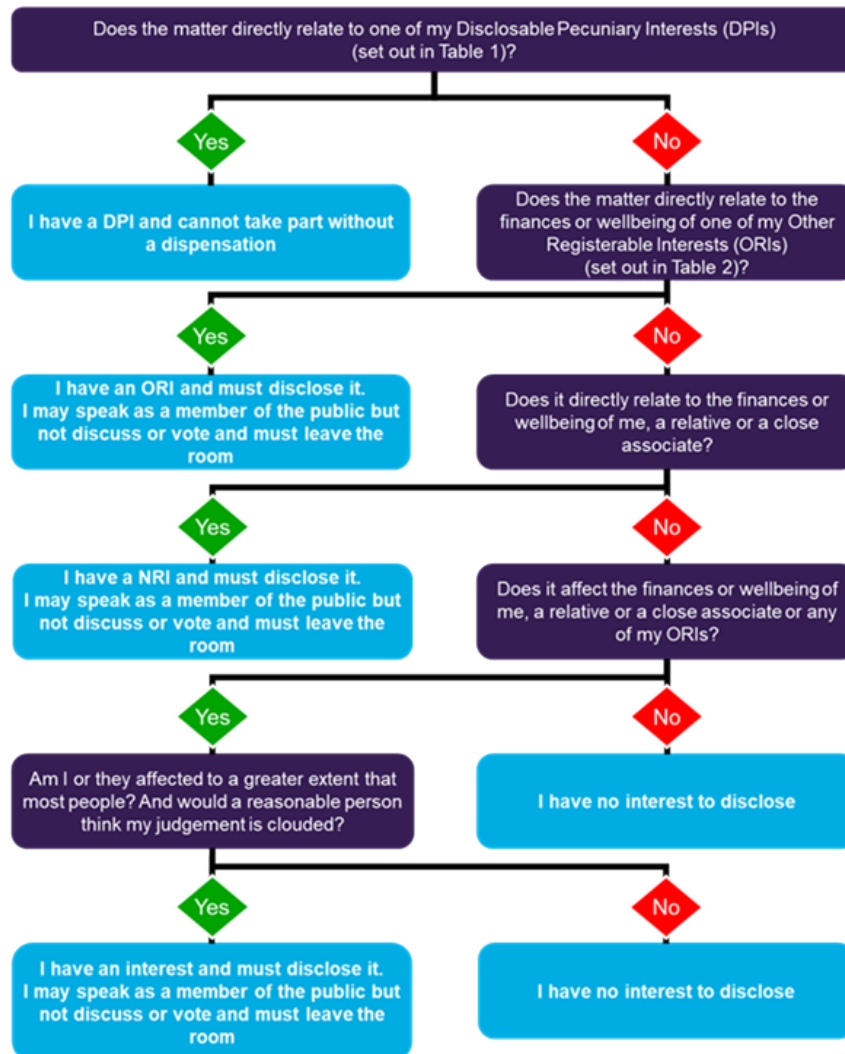


## Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

### 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. **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. **Confirmation of Minutes**

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 15 July 2026.

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## 5. **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 mid-day Thursday 3 September 3 clear working days before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a statement is midday Tuesday 8 September the working day before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a petition is Tuesday 25 August 10 working days before the meeting.

## ITEMS OF BUSINESS

## 6. **Van Life - Listening Enquiry**

In response to a recommendation from Full Council the Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed to add to its work programme an item on Van Life – Supporting all Communities to consider

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developing the detail of a Community Pact for all Vehicle Dwellers in BCP. The Committee proposed that this work be initiated through enquiry sessions which would seek input from various members of the community impacted by this issue.

**7. Plant-based and reduced meat and dairy diets: action plan – annual review and recommendations**

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Following the Environment & Place Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting on 29 October 2025, an agreement was reached to implement the Council position to 'encourage and promote plant-based diets'. A plant-based diet position statement and associated set of Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Time-bound (SMART) actions were drafted and agreed by Cabinet, and subsequently implemented.

Action 11 of the action plan was an annual review and adjustment of the plan.

This report seeks to update the Environment and Plan O&S committee regarding the progress of the plant-based diets action plan. Specifically, it presents a review of the effectiveness, appropriateness and feasibility of each action.

**8. Work Plan**

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The Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider and identify work priorities for its next meeting pending a wider review of its forward plan at a future meeting.

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.