

Dorset County Council



Meeting: Economic Growth Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Time: 10.00 am

Date: Monday, 16 October 2017

Venue: Committee Room 1, County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1XJ

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Members of the public can ask questions and make statements at the meeting. The closing date for us to receive questions is 10.00am on 11 October 2017, and statements by midday the day before the meeting.

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1. Election of Chairman

To elect a Chairman of the Committee for the year 2017/18.

2. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence from members.

3. Code of Conduct

Councillors are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 regarding disclosable pecuniary interests.

- Check if there is an item of business on this agenda in which the member or other relevant person has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
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4. **Minutes** 7 - 24

- (a) To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 27 March 2017.
- (b) To receive the notes of the Economic Growth Overview and Scrutiny Committee - Learning and Skills Focus Group held on 29 June 2017 and to endorse the actions and outcomes proposed.

5. Public Participation

To receive any public questions and /or public statements or requests for public speaking under Stranding Order 21(2).

6. Terms of Reference

To note the Committee's Terms of Reference and what they entail, as follows:-

Overview and Scrutiny Committees

Purpose: Delivering good outcomes for the residents and communities
we serve through a constructive, proactive and objective approach to the
consideration, scrutiny and review of policies, strategies, financial and
performance issues.

• Overview Function

- To review and develop policy at the Committee's own initiative or at the request of the Cabinet or the Public Health Joint Board and make recommendations to the Cabinet, Joint Committee or the Full Council.
- To oversee major consultations and make recommendations to the Cabinet, Joint Committee or the Full Council.
- To give advice on any matters as requested by the Cabinet or the Joint Committee.

Scrutiny Function

- To hold the Executive to account through a process that seeks and considers necessary explanations, information and evidence to ensure good outcomes for our residents and communities.
- Through proactive scrutiny inquiry work, to contribute to improving the lives of our residents and communities, through an active contribution to the Council's improvement agenda.
- To scrutinise key areas of strategic and operational activity and, where

necessary, make recommendations to the Full Council, Cabinet or Joint Committee in respect of:

- Matters which affect the Council's area or its residents.
- Performance of services in accordance with the targets in the Corporate Plan or other approved service plans.
- To provide a clear focus on finding efficiency savings in accordance with requirements in the Council's financial strategy.
- To monitor expenditure against available budgets and, where necessary, make recommendations to the Cabinet or the Joint Committee.
- To consider proposed budget plans, service plans and any other major planning or strategic statements and to make recommendations to the Cabinet or the Joint Committee.

Specific responsibilities for the Economic Growth Overview and Scrutiny Committee are:-

- To exercise a proactive and effective overview and scrutiny of functions to ensure the effective delivery of those specific outcomes as contained in the Corporate Plan.
- Outcome To ensure that Dorset's Economy is Prosperous
- A thriving local economy provides us all with more opportunities as.....
 - New businesses thrive and existing businesses become more productive;
 - More people secure the employment opportunities of their choice;
 - Dorset's residents are well educated, with the skills that Dorset's employers need;
 - Good quality, affordable homes are available for Dorset's people;
 - People and goods are able to move about the County safely and efficiently.

The Committee has the power to co-opt additional (non-voting) persons to provide routine and / or ad-hoc support to provide access to specific skills and knowledge.

To assist in a better understanding of what enabling economic growth entails, the attached hyperlinks might be of benefit:-

https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/article/369382/Economic-development---Dorset-County-Council

7. Putting the Committee into Context - Prosperous

To take the opportunity to understand the purpose and aims of the Committee, these being set in context by the Lead Officer, the Director for Environment and the Economy and the Service Director – Economy, to include a summary of:-

- what scrutiny entails and how this function should be applied;
- understanding the purpose of the Committee and making sense of the part it plays in meeting the aims of the Corporate Plan;
- the means by which this might be achieved;
- an explanation of the State of Dorset Economy, the role of the Dorset

Local Enterprise Partnership and the relationship these will have with the Committee.

An opportunity will also be provided to meet principal officers and those relevant Heads of Service who will regularly service the Committee.

8. Access to Infrastructure - Physical, Technological and Digital 25 - 44

To take the opportunity to assess what access there is to infrastructure across Dorset in order to stimulate and support economic growth in by physical, technological and digital means, including:-

• Mobile Phone Coverage in Dorset – 4G /5G

To consider a report by the Head of ICT and Customer Services in determining what coverage there is, what can be done to improve this and by what means and to identify areas without a signal, what investment will be needed and how will this be provided.

Progress being made with the rollout of Superfast Broadband

Following the meeting on 27 January 2017, to receive a Powerpoint presentation by the Senior Project Manager to determine what progress is being made against identified objectives in respect of the rollout of Superfast Broadband.

Members' ICT Toolkit

Acknowledgement of access to the Members' ICT Toolkit for Superfast Broadband, what this entails and what it is designed to achieve.

9. Implications of Brexit for Dorset County Council

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To consider a report by the European Policy and Funding Officer.

10. Pre submission draft Mineral Sites and Waste Sites Plans

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Prior to consideration by Cabinet on 18 October 2017, to consider a report by the Corporate Director for Environment and Economy.

11. Finance Report

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To consider a report by the Chief Financial Officer.

12. Outcomes Focused Monitoring Report - October 2017

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To consider the Outcomes Focused Monitoring Report – October 2017 by the Corporate Director for Environment and Economy.

13. Work Programme

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To consider the Committee's Work Programme and to amend this, as necessary.

14. Questions

To answer any questions received in writing by the Chief Executive by not later than 10.00 am on 11 October 2017.