SWT Executive

Tuesday, 28th January, 2020, 6.15 pm





Members: Federica Smith-Roberts (Chair), Benet Allen (Deputy Chair),

Chris Booth, Ross Henley, Marcus Kravis, Richard Lees, Peter Pilkington, Mike Rigby and Francesca Smith

Agenda

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive and note any declarations of disclosable pecuniary or prejudicial or personal interests in respect of any matters included on the agenda for consideration at this meeting.

(The personal interests of Councillors and Clerks of Somerset County Council, Town or Parish Councils and other Local Authorities will automatically be recorded in the minutes.)

3. Public Participation

The Chair to advise the Committee of any items on which members of the public have requested to speak and advise those members of the public present of the details of the Council's public participation scheme.

For those members of the public who have submitted any questions or statements, please note, a three minute time limit applies to each speaker and you will be asked to speak before Councillors debate the issue.

4. Hinkley Point C Section 106 Tourism Delivery Plan

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor for Asset Management & Economic Development, Councillor Marcus Kravis.

(Pages 5 - 34)

The purpose of the report is to present to Council on what has been achieved in the first five years of delivering the Hinkley Tourism Strategy 2015-20 under Phase 1, 2 and 3 Action Plans.

5. Voluntary and Community Sector Grants Annual Fund Review

(Pages 35 - 66)

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor for Community, Councillor Chris Booth and Executive Councillor for Housing, Councillor Francesca Smith.

The purpose of the report is to present the findings of the annual review of grants the Council awards to Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) and Not for Profit organisations.

6. Somerset West and Taunton Districtwide Design Guide

(Pages 67 - 194)

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor for Planning and Transportation, Councillor Mike Rigby.

The purpose of the design guide is to seek a step change in the quality of new development in the District in support of adopted local plan policies. It aims to ensure that the significant level of housing growth needed in the District to meet future need is designed to create healthy, inclusive, sustainable places to live for everyone promoting a common approach to the main principles which underpin the various adopted Local Plans that are used for assessing planning applications.

7. Taunton Garden Town Public Realm Guide

(Pages 195 - 342)

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor for Planning and Transportation, Councillor Mike Rigby.

The purpose of the design guide is to seek a step change in the quality of the public realm and street works consistently in Taunton Garden Town in support of adopted local plan policies. It aims to guide street works by the highways authority, developers, utility companies and their agents and contractors and will be used for determining planning applications and informing discussions with our statutory consultees.

8. Somerset West and Taunton Prosperity/Economic Development Strategy

(Pages 343 - 420)

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor for Asset Management and Economic Development, Councillor Marcus Kravis.

The document Somerset West and Taunton's "Prosperity and Economic Development Strategy", produced with the support of Deyton Bell consultants, is the first economic development strategy and framework for the new Council against which future interventions and business support and skills projects can be assessed, in terms of whether they address issues and market failure, build on existing activity, support and complement local and sub-regional stakeholder programmes or address evidenced gaps in the business support and skills landscape.

Monkton Heathfield: Land south of Manor Farm, Langaller, Masterplan Framework and emerging SS1 Concept Masterplan

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor for Planning and Transportation, Councillor Mike Rigby.

The Land South of Manor Farm, Langaller is part of the Monkton Heathfield development area, allocated in the Core Strategy, Policy SS1. The former TDBC resolved that the area, which was identified wholly for employment development in the Core Strategy, could be part developed for housing to address the likely shortfall in housing numbers in the Monkton Heathfield policy area and, guarantee delivery of the employment area. The planned development will deliver new housing including affordable housing contributing to the trajectory and supply in the town. New local employment areas will be brought forward, together with open space. Significant areas for tree planting are also identified.

(Pages 421 - 468)

James Hassett

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