

## SWT Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday, 8th January, 2020,  
6.30 pm

**Somerset West  
and Taunton**

**The John Meikle Room - The Deane  
House**

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**Members:** Gwil Wren (Chair), Libby Lisgo (Vice-Chair), Ian Aldridge, Sue Buller, Norman Cavill, Dixie Darch, John Hassall, John Hunt, Sue Lees, Dave Mansell, Hazel Prior-Sankey, Phil Stone, Nick Thwaites, Danny Wedderkopp and Keith Wheatley

### Agenda

**1. Apologies**

To receive any apologies for absence.

**2. Minutes of the previous meeting of the Scrutiny Committee**

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee.

**3. 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.)

**4. 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.

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before Councillors debate the issue.

**5. Scrutiny Committee Action Plan**

To update the Scrutiny Committee on the progress of resolutions and recommendations from previous meetings of the Committee.

**6. Homelessness and Rough Sleeper Strategy. Report of the Strategy Specialist and Customer Specialist – Housing Options (Item deferred to February)**

**7. Voluntary and Community Sector Grants Annual Review 2019/20. Report of the Localities Manager (attached)**

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**8. Financial Monitoring - 2019/20 as at 30 November 2019. Report of the Finance Business Partner and Deputy S151 Officer (attached).**

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**9. Draft 2020/21 Budget Progress and Initial Budget Options. Report of the Finance Business Partner and Deputy S151 Officer (attached).**

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**10. Scrutiny Committee Forward Plan**

To receive items and review the Forward Plan.

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**JAMES HASSETT  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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