

Public Agenda Pack



Notice of Meeting of

PLANNING COMMITTEE - SOUTH

Tuesday, 25 March 2025 at 2.00 pm

Council Chamber, Council Offices, Brympton Way, Yeovil BA20 2HT

To: The members of the Planning Committee - South

Chair: Councillor Jason Baker
Vice-chair: Councillor Peter Seib

Councillor Mike Best	Councillor Andy Kendall
Councillor Jenny Kenton	Councillor Tim Kerley
Councillor Kevin Messenger	Councillor Sue Osborne
Councillor Stephen Page	Councillor Oliver Patrick
Councillor Tom Power	Councillor Martin Wale
Councillor Mike Stanton	

For further information about the meeting, including how to join the meeting virtually, please contact Democratic Services: democraticservicessouth@somerset.gov.uk.

All members of the public are welcome to attend our meetings and ask questions or make a statement **by giving advance notice** in writing or by e-mail to the Monitoring Officer at email: democraticservicesteam@somerset.gov.uk by **5pm on Thursday, 20 March 2025**.

This meeting will be open to the public and press, subject to the passing of any resolution under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A: Access to Information.

The meeting will be webcast and an audio recording made.

Issued by (the Proper Officer) on Monday, 24 March 2025

AGENDA

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4 Public Question Time (Pages 3 - 4)

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.

We are now live webcasting most of our committee meetings and you are welcome to view and listen to the discussion. The link to each webcast will be available on the meeting webpage, please see details under 'click here to join online meeting'.

Requests to speak at the meeting under Public Question Time must be made to democraticservicessouth@somerset.gov.uk by 5pm on the Wednesday prior to the meeting. For those wishing to speak on an application, requests must be made by 5pm on the Thursday prior to the meeting.

Planning Committee South 25th March 2025 – Public Questions

Annexe A – Public Questions	
Name of person submitting	Questions
<p>Emma Snead</p> <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Page 3</p>	<p>My question relates to the news that two King’s Counsel, including one appointed by Somerset Council, have agreed that nutrient neutrality mitigation can be achieved by relying on third party actions, such as Wessex Water’s new treatment facilities designed to remove 17 tonnes of phosphate per year to accommodate future housing growth. Assuming the Council will want to pursue, with the utmost urgency, this opportunity to unblock the development pipeline, the next issue that needs urgent attention is the slow progress on agreeing section 106 agreements. Outstanding s106 agreements are another major impediment to reaching a 5-year housing land supply in South Somerset – but one largely in the control of the Council itself. Given this tremendous opportunity, what steps is the South Somerset planning team taking to increase the rate of section 106 review and agreement, to ensure the area reaches a deliverable 5-year housing land supply as soon as possible, and is able to return to plan-based decisions?</p>
Response	<p>Lead officer verbal response to be given at the meeting.</p> <p>Full written response to be distributed within 5 working days of the meeting</p>

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