

# SCRUTINY FOR POLICIES, ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE



**Tuesday 28 February 2023**

**10.00 am Luttrell Room - County Hall,  
Taunton**

To: The members of the Scrutiny for Policies, Environment Committee

Cllr S Ashton, Cllr A Boyden (Vice-Chair), Cllr A Bradford, Cllr B Clarke, Cllr M Dimery (Chair), Cllr H Hobhouse, Cllr M Kravis, Cllr M Martin, Cllr H Munt, Cllr K Pearce, Cllr T Power, Cllr J Roundell Greene and Cllr A Wiltshire

All Somerset County Council Members are invited to attend.

Issued By Scott Wooldridge, Strategic Manager - Governance and Democratic Services - 22 February 2023

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**Are you considering how your conversation today and the actions you propose to take contribute towards making Somerset Carbon Neutral by 2030?**



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# AGENDA

Item Scrutiny for Policies, Environment Committee - 10.00 am Tuesday 28 February 2023

**\*\*Public Guidance notes contained within agenda annexe\*\***

1 **Apologies for absence**

To receive members' apologies

2 **Declarations of Interest**

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[County Councillors membership of Town, City, Parish or District Councils](#) and this will be displayed in the meeting room (Where relevant).

The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via request to the Democratic Service Team.

3 **Minutes of the previous meetings** (Pages 9 - 30)

To approve the minutes of the previous meetings held on

- 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022
- 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022
- 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022

4 **Public Question Time**

The Chair will allow members of the public to ask a question or make a statement about any matter on the agenda for this meeting. These questions may be taken during the meeting, when the relevant agenda item is considered, at the Chair's discretion.

5 **Scrutiny for Policies, Environment committee work programme** (Pages 31 - 34)

To receive any updates from the Service Manager, Scrutiny and discuss any items for the work programme.

To assist the discussion, members are asked to review the:

- The Committee's Forward Work Programme (attached)

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- The Scrutiny for Policies and Place committee's Forward Work Programme (attached)
  - The Executive committee's Forward Plan of key decisions can be viewed [here](#)
- 6      **Flexible Plastics Pilot Update** (Pages 35 - 40)
- To consider and note the update.
- 7      **Somerset Energy Plan** (Pages 41 - 44)
- To consider the report.
- 8      **Somerset Rivers Authority Key Decision regarding SRA Funding and SCC Hosting role update** (Pages 45 - 58)
- To consider the report.
- 9      **Climate Emergency Governance for Somerset Council** (Pages 59 - 66)
- To consider the report.
- 10     **Any other business**
- The Chair to raise any other urgent items of business