

South Somerset District Council

Thursday 16th December 2021

6.30 pm

Westlands Entertainment Venue Westbourne Close Yeovil BA20 2DD

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All members of Council are requested to attend this meeting

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This Agenda was issued on Wednesday 8 December 2021.

Jane Portman, Chief Executive Officer



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Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes

To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday, 21 October 2021.

3. Declarations of Interest

In accordance with the Council's current Code of Conduct (as amended 26 February 2015), which includes all the provisions relating to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), personal and prejudicial interests, Members are asked to declare any DPI and also any personal interests (and whether or not such personal interests are also "prejudicial") in relation to any matter on the Agenda for this meeting.

Members are reminded that they need to declare the fact that they are also a member of a County, Town or Parish Council as a Personal Interest. Where you are also a member of Somerset County Council and/or a Town or Parish Council within South Somerset you must declare a prejudicial interest in any business on the agenda where there is a financial benefit or gain or advantage to Somerset County Council and/or a Town or Parish Council which would be at the cost or to the financial disadvantage of South Somerset District Council.

4. Public Question Time

5. Chairman's Announcements

Items for Discussion

- **6.** Chairman's Engagements (Page 6)
- 7. SSDC Health and Safety Policy (Pages 7 33)
- 8. Joint Scrutiny for Local Government Review (Pages 34 45)
- 9. Quarter Two Revenue budget monitor and proposed 2022/23 Revised Estimates (Pages 46 60)
- 10. Quarter Two Capital budget monitor and proposed 2022/23 Revised Estimates (Pages 61 79)
- 11. 2021/22 Treasury Management Mid-Year Performance Report and Strategy Update (Pages 80 109)
- 12. Proposal to opt into the national scheme for external auditor appointments from April 2023 recommendation from Audit Committee (Pages 110 118)

- 13. Review of Remote Meetings after 8th January 2022 (Pages 119 122)
- 14. Yeovilton and Limington Community Governance Review first consultation response (Pages 123 126)
- **15. Report of Executive Decisions** (Pages 127 129)
- 16. Audit Committee (Page 130)
- 17. Scrutiny Committee (Page 131)
- 18. Motions

No Motions have been submitted by Members.

19. Questions Under Procedure Rule 10

No questions have been submitted under Procedure Rule 10.

- **20.** Date of Next Meeting (Page 132)
- 21. Exclusion of Press and Public (Page 133)
- 22. Confidential Staffing Matter verbal report from the Chief Executive