



Notice of Meeting of

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - CLIMATE AND PLACE

Wednesday, 20 March 2024 at 10.00 am

**Sedgemoor Room, Bridgwater House, King
Square, Bridgwater, TA6 3AR**

To: The members of the Scrutiny Committee - Climate and Place

Chair: Councillor Martin Dimery

Vice-chair: Councillor Adam Boyden

Councillor Steve Ashton

Councillor Bente Height

Councillor Henry Hobhouse

Councillor Dave Mansell

Councillor Harry Munt

Councillor Alex Wiltshire

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Councillor Marcus Kravis

Councillor Matthew Martin

Councillor Tom Power

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Issued by (the Proper Officer) on Tuesday, 12 March 2024

AGENDA

Scrutiny Committee - Climate and Place - 10.00 am Wednesday, 20 March 2024

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1 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 Declarations of Interest

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

(The other registrable interests of Councillors of Somerset Council, arising from membership of City, Town or Parish Councils and other Local Authorities will automatically be recorded in the minutes: [City, Town & Parish Twin Hatters - Somerset Councillors 2023](#))

3 Minutes from the Previous Meeting

To approve the minutes from the previous meeting - to follow

4 Public Question Time

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.

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5 Scrutiny Climate and Place Work Programme (Pages 9 - 18)

To receive an update from the Service Manager, Governance Scrutiny. To assist the discussion, the following documents are attached: -

- (a) Outline of Approach to Forward Plan for Climate and Place Scrutiny
- (b) The Committee's Outcome Tracker

Please use the following link to view the latest Somerset Council Executive Forward Plan of planned key decisions that have been published on the Council's website:

[Somerset Council Executive Forward Plan](#)

6 Annual report on the Trading Standards Service (Pages 19 - 28)

To note the report.

7 Section 19 Reports from 2020-2022 Flood Events (Pages 29 - 160)

Covering report to follow

8 Preliminary Report Section 19s 2023 Flood Events (Pages 161 - 176)

Covering report to follow

9 Somerset Energy Investment Plan - Report of the Task and Finish Group

To follow

10 2023-24 Budget Monitoring Report – Month 10 (Pages 177 - 184)

To consider and comment on the report.

11 Items for Information (Pages 185 - 188)

This is a standing agenda item and refers to information that has been requested by the committee, that cover the Committee's policy areas.

Since the last meeting the following information has been supplied

a) Background information on regeneration and UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

If Committee members have any questions or comments on this information, please contact the Committee Administrator on democraticservicesteam@somerset.gov.uk in the first instance.