



Notice of Meeting of

CONSTITUTION AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 14th January 2025 at 10.00am

**John Meikle Room, The Deane House,
Belvedere Road, Taunton TA1 1HE**

To: The members of the Constitution and Governance Committee

Chair: Councillor Ross Henley
Vice-chair: Councillor Tim Kerley

Councillor Theo Butt Philip
Councillor Barry Clarke
Councillor Dawn Johnson
Councillor Martin Lovell
Councillor Emily Pearlstone
Councillor Martin Wale

Councillor Simon Carswell
Councillor Hugh Davies
Councillor Helen Kay
Councillor Sue Osborne
Councillor Steven Pugsley

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The meeting will be webcast and an audio recording made.

Issued by the Proper Officer on Monday, 6th January 2025

AGENDA

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Public Guidance Notes contained in Agenda Annexe (Pages 5 - 6)

Click here to join the online meeting (Pages 7 - 8)

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 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.

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'.

4 Local Government Boundary Commission for England - Somerset Council's Submission for Phase 2 (Pages 9 - 14)

To consider and finalise the report and recommendations of the Electoral Review Working Group (see Appendix A – to follow) for submission as Somerset Council's Phase 2 response to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE).