

# EAST DORSET YOUTH FORUM AGENDA

East Dorset  
District Council



**Tuesday, 13th December, 2005**

A meeting of the East Dorset Youth Forum will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Furzehill, Wimborne on Tuesday, 13th December, 2005 at 6.00 p.m.

The proceedings and business of this meeting are regulated by Procedure Rules, as set out in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution.

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## MEMBERS SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE:-

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Mrs S Clark (Corfe Mullen  
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Mr A Puttock (Queen  
Elizabeth School)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

5th December, 2005

## THE COUNCIL'S VISION

To be a forward-looking Council, which listens to its community and works with others to provide the services that meet people's aspirations now and in the future by ensuring that:-

- residents, businesses and visitors enjoy a high quality, safe and healthy environment;
- appropriate housing is provided for local people;
- accessible services are provided for all;
- people are able to work productively and contribute to the local economy.

## THE COUNCIL'S KEY VALUES

The Council will strive for excellence by ensuring that it makes the best use of its resources to deliver sustainable services which are accessible to all by:-

- **providing leadership** – providing effective, caring and clear direction to our employees and the community;
- **being accountable** – the Council, its Members and employees will act honestly and fairly in all their dealings and will conduct their business in an open way, submitting to appropriate internal and external scrutiny;
- **seeking to continuously improve** – striving to learn continuously, being responsive to change and developing better ways of doing things;
- **communicating effectively** – engaging equally all those in the community in its widest sense, by listening and taking account of their needs and aspirations in decision-making and the actions that flow from them;
- **working in partnership** – for a better community by involving all relevant groups and individuals in an atmosphere of mutual trust and respect.

## THE COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC THEMES AND CORPORATE OBJECTIVES

COMMUNITY	CULTURE	ENVIRONMENT
To provide a safe, inclusive and sustainable environment where the needs of all are addressed	To provide the highest quality cultural, leisure and recreational services in full consultation with residents and visitors	To protect and improve the quality of the physical environment, ensure that the transport needs of all sectors of the community are addressed, that people are able to work productively and contribute to a sustainable local economy
CO1 Actively encourage greater partnership working between agencies, individuals and young people by maximising available resources to tackle identified shortfalls in youth provision	CU1 Increase the number of people participating throughout their lives by providing a wide range of art, cultural, leisure and recreational activities	EN1 Enable local communities and individuals to be involved in the planning process
CO2 Address crime and disorder by taking action to combat anti-social behaviour, raising awareness of community safety initiatives and tackling fear of crime	CU2 Enhance the image of the District, stimulating local pride & generating economic activity by actively promoting tourism	EN2 Provide services that enhance the appearance of the District and encourage access to open space
CO3 Identify community needs and enable individuals and communities to realise their potential through helping them to build community capacity and cohesion	CU3 Provide residents, visitors and those who work in East Dorset with opportunities to access, enjoy and contribute to the countryside	EN3 Support local transport by providing grants and subsidies and contributing to the safety of our roads
CO4 Ensure all residents have access to their entitlement	CU4 Protect, restore and promote the heritage of our built environment	EN4 Assist local businesses by facilitating markets, networking opportunities and training needs
HEALTH AND HOUSING	PERFORMANCE	RESOURCES
To safeguard peoples' health and welfare, address health inequalities, ensure sustainable waste management and improve access to housing in both the private and public sector	To secure continuous improvement through development in the quality of working practices, drawing on best experience both within and outside the Council, within a culture which embraces critical review and change	To ensure that a sound basis for service provision is delivered by the effective management of the Council's human, financial, technological and physical resources
HH1 Maintain, improve and promote satisfactory standards of public health and safety in the working environment and the wider community	PE1 Promote a customer focused culture	RE1 Engage in effective communication and consultation to influence the delivery of Council services
HH2 Secure health, safety, welfare and independence of the community by influencing improvements on housing conditions and fuel efficiency	PE2 Meet the challenges of the modernisation agenda by developing the organisational capacity	RE2 Manage the Council's finances by ensuring that the procedures are effective and secure
HH3 Protect the public through prevention and control of environmental pollution	PE3 Manage risk by developing an Authority-wide culture	RE3 Provide Members with the resources to assist them in decision making and leadership in the community
HH4 Work to increase the supply of affordable housing	PE4 Achieve enhanced service through electronic service delivery	RE4 Ensure that people are recruited for their relevant skills, encouraged to develop to their maximum potential and employed in working conditions that are fair and healthy
HH5 Reduce the incidence of homelessness through prevention, supply and support	PE5 Undertake challenging reviews of all Council services and implement the Improvement Plans	RE5 Use technology to improve efficiency and service delivery
HH6 Minimise the amount of household waste and the quantity sent to landfill	PE6 Seek to achieve national standards of performance	RE6 Ensure Council assets are maintained to maximise their useful life so that they are safe and accessible for users

## Agenda

1. **Apologies for Absence**  
The Chief Executive to report any apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest**  
In accordance with Procedural Rule No. 18, Members' Interests, Members are reminded that any personal or personal and prejudicial interests should be declared. Pro forma for this purpose are available from the Members' Room.
3. **Minutes**  
To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 15th November, 2005 (copy herewith).

### ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

4. **East Dorset Youth Council - Constitution**  
*(a) Discussion with Mr Tim Oliver (Local Democracy Youth Worker, Dorset County Council) and Ms Lynne Meechan (Participation Development Youth Worker, Hampshire County Council's Youth Service) on the setting up of a Youth Council for East Dorset.*  
*(b) Consideration of the attached draft constitution compiled by the Council's Youth Development Officer.f*

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