

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE AGENDA

East Dorset
District Council



Wednesday, 18th March, 2009

A meeting of the **Policy and Resources Committee** will be held in the **Council Chamber, Council Offices, Furzehill, Wimborne** on **Wednesday, 18th March, 2009** at **10.00 a.m.**

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

If you have any queries on the agenda in advance of the meeting; or



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MEMBERS SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE:-

Chairman

Cllr S. G. Flower

Vice-Chairman

Cllr A. A. J. Clarke

Cllr M. C. Birr

Cllr D. B. F. Burt

Cllr Mrs L. J. Clark

Cllr Mrs Q. N. D. Comfort

Cllr Mrs J. Dover

Cllr M. R. Dyer

Cllr Mrs G. S. Elliot

Cllr S. C. Hearn

Cllr Mrs A. Holland

Cllr Mrs P. A. Hymers

Cllr J. E. Little

Cllr Mrs B. T. Manuel

Cllr D. G. L. Packer

Cllr Mrs P. A. Reynolds

Cllr G. W. Russell

Cllr D. J. Wallace

*To other Members of the
Council for Information*

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

10th March, 2009

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

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL – Councillor Spencer Flower – responsible for managing effectively the Council's financial and physical resources (RES1)

COMMUNITY	
LEAD MEMBER: Councillor Queenie Comfort	
To provide a safe, inclusive and sustainable environment where the needs of all are addressed	
COM1	Improve the provision of services for young people
COM2	Reduce crime and the fear of crime
COM3	Support local people in identifying and meeting their own needs
COM4	Promote equality and accessibility for all

ENVIRONMENT	
LEAD MEMBER: Councillor Mike Dyer	
To protect and enhance the environment	
ENV1	Safeguard and manage the quality and sustainability of the natural and built environment
ENV2	Promote the reduction, reuse and recycling of household waste and ensure the District is kept clean
ENV3	Deliver increased prosperity and better employment opportunities

PERFORMANCE	
LEAD MEMBER: Councillor Alex Clarke	
To secure continuous improvement of customer focused services	
PER1	To put customers at the heart of all Council services
PER2	Promote a performance management culture

CULTURE	
LEAD MEMBER: Councillor Barbara Manuel	
To provide and support high quality cultural services	
CUL1	Provide opportunities to improve the well being of the community
CUL2	Promote the district to encourage tourism
CUL3	Provide opportunities to access, enjoy and contribute to the countryside

HEALTH AND HOUSING	
LEAD MEMBER: Councillor John Little	
To safeguard and improve public health and access to housing	
H&H1	Safeguard and improve community health, safety and welfare
H&H2	Improve the quality and availability of housing

RESOURCES	
LEAD MEMBER: Councillor David Packer	
To ensure a sound basis for service provision is delivered by effective management of the Council's resources	
RES2	Employees and members fulfil their potential in support of Council objectives
RES3	Manage effectively the Council's technological resources and promote E-government

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 18th February, 2009 (copy herewith).
4. **Presentations by the Public**
The Chairman to invite members of the public to ask questions, submit petitions or make deputations which are relevant to any area of the operation of the Committee.

ITEM FOR RECOMMENDATION

5. **Investment Strategy**
To set the Investment Strategy and Prudential Indicators for 2009/10

ITEMS FOR DECISION

6. **The 2008 Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment**
To approve the 2008 Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment
7. **Private Sector Housing Policy 2008-2009**
To seek Member's agreement to extend the period covered by the existing Policy into 2009-2010
8. **Handley Park Petition**
Members received at a previous meeting a petition from residents of Handley Park, Sixpenny Handley and asked for a follow up report at their next meeting.
9. **Provisions of Land for Use as Allotments**
Members are asked to agree to the leasing of land in principle to West Moors Parish Council for the development of Allotment holdings.
10. **Cranborne Chase and Wiltshire Downs AONB Management Plan and Delivery Plan**
To approve the Cranborne Chase and Wiltshire Downs AONB Management Plan and Delivery Plan
11. **The Nature Conservation Supplementary Planning Guidance**
To approve Supplementary Planning Guidance: The Natural Environment

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

12. **Revenue & Capital Budget Monitoring Report Quarter 3**
To report on the monitoring of the revenue budget and capital programme.

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13. **Exclusion of Press and Public**
RECOMMENDED that in view of the nature of the business to be transacted it is likely that if members of the public were present during the following items there would be disclosure to them of 'exempt information' as described in the categories indicated and they be therefore excluded from the meeting in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

EXEMPT ITEMS FOR DECISION

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| <p>14. Refurbishment of Planting Boxes in Victoria Road, Ferndown
<i>Exempt Information - Category 3 (Personal financial or business affairs)</i>
<i>To obtain approval for the award of a contract to carry out the refurbishment works.</i></p> | <p>E1-E2</p> |
| <p>15. Reference from the Walford Mill Consultative Group - Renewal of Car Parking Agreement
<i>Exempt Information - Category 3 (Personal financial or business affairs)</i>
<i>Members are asked to agree a new agreement between this Council and the East Dorset Education Trust</i></p> | <p>E3-E5</p> |
| <p>16. Renewal of Ice Cream Concession - Moors Valley Railway
<i>Exempt Information - Category 3 (Personal financial or business affairs)</i>
<i>Members are asked to agree a new agreement for the selling of Ice Cream between Narogauge Ltd and this Council.</i></p> | <p>E6-E8</p> |

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.