

Select Committee Agenda



SCRUTINY

 Epping Forest District Council

Neighbourhoods Select Committee Tuesday, 13th September, 2016

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **Neighbourhoods Select Committee**, which will be held at:

**Council Chamber, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping
on Tuesday, 13th September, 2016
at 7.30 pm .**

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SUBSTITUTE NOMINATION DEADLINE:

6.30 PM

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1. WEBCASTING INTRODUCTION

1. This meeting is to be webcast. Members are reminded of the need to activate their microphones before speaking.

2. The Chairman will read the following announcement:

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2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (COUNCIL MINUTE 39 - 23.7.02)

(Director of Governance) To report the appointment of any substitute members for the meeting.

4. NOTES OF THE LAST MEETING (Pages 5 - 14)

To agree the notes of the last meeting held on 28 June 2016.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Director of Governance). To declare interests in any items on the agenda.

In considering whether to declare a pecuniary or a non-pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct, Overview & Scrutiny members are asked pay particular attention to paragraph 9 of the Code in addition to the more familiar requirements.

This requires the declaration of a non-pecuniary interest in any matter before an OS Committee which relates to a decision of or action by another Committee or Sub Committee of the Council, a Joint Committee or Joint Sub Committee in which the Council is involved and of which the Councillor is also a member.

Paragraph 9 does not refer to Cabinet decisions or attendance at an OS meeting purely for the purpose of answering questions or providing information on such a matter.

6. THE SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR LOUGHTON, BUCKHURST HILL AND THEYDON BOIS

To receive a presentation by consultants and EFDC officers from the Engineering, Drainage and Water Teams.

Background

Officers from the Council's Engineering, Drainage and Water Team have been working with Essex County Council's (ECC) Flood Team, consultants and other stakeholders to produce a Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP) for Loughton, Buckhurst Hill and Theydon Bois. The report outlines the predicted risk and preferred surface water management strategy for these areas. In this context surface water flooding describes flooding from sewers, drains, groundwater and runoff from land, small watercourses and ditches that occur as a result of heavy rainfall.

A four phase approach has been undertaken in line with Defra's SWMP technical guidance 2010. The areas identified to be at more significant risk have been delineated into Critical Drainage Areas (CDAs) representing the contributing catchment area and features that influence the predicted flood extent. Within the study area a total of seven CDAs have been identified. For each CDA site specific measures have been identified that could be considered to help reduce the risk of surface water flooding. The process establishes a long term action plan for ECC, EFDC and other Flood Management Authorities to assist in their roles under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010.

Amongst other measures, the long term action plan proposes flood mitigation planning policies, in the main, by the use of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDs). The SWMP will be fed into the new Local Plan and should form part of the Council's Development Control policies.

These areas are the first within Epping District to be subject to a SWMP, because:-

- i. Defra's National Rank Order of Settlements Susceptible to Surface Water Flooding (Defra 2009) indicates that Loughton area is vulnerable to surface water flooding and is ranked 313th out of 4,215 settlements in England, with an estimated 1,000 at risk of flooding. The Defra document did not contain any information regarding the vulnerability or flood risk for Buckhurst Hill or Theydon Bois but due to historical flooding events it was decided to assess these areas as part of the SWMP; and
- ii. As part of its duties created by the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, ECC (as the Lead Local Flood Risk Authority for Essex) produced in January 2011 a Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment (PFRA). This PFRA identified the Loughton Area as a Tier 1 at risk area.

A presentation on the SWMP will be given by Capita the consultants who led on the project. Lucy Shepard, Essex County Council's Lead Flood Investigation Officer, along with officers from EFDC, will also be present to help answer any questions.

7. FLY-TIPPING - ENFORCEMENT AND CLEARANCE

(Director of Neighbourhoods) to receive a verbal update on Fly-tipping in our district.

8. KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS 2016/17 - QUARTER 1 PERFORMANCE (Pages 15 - 34)

(Director of Governance) to consider the attached report.

9. CORPORATE PLAN KEY ACTION PLAN 2016/17 - QUARTERLY REVIEW (Pages 35 - 42)

(Director of Governance) – to consider the attached report.

10. TERMS OF REFERENCE AND WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 43 - 46)

(Chairman / Lead Officer) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed the Terms of Reference of this Committee. This is attached along with an ongoing work programme. Members are asked at each meeting to review both documents.

Work Programme

At the joint meeting of O&S and Select Committee Chairmen and Vice Chairmen Co-ordinating Group held on 30 June 2016; the following additional matters for inclusion in this Committee's work programme was identified. The additional items are:

- Review of Land Drainage arrangements (on this agenda); and
- Review of arrangements for ensuring the behaviour of licenced taxi drivers.

11. REPORTS TO BE MADE TO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

To consider which reports are ready to be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its next meeting.