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Environment, Development  
& Transport Scrutiny  
Committee

16<sup>th</sup> November  
2016

10.00 am

Room 15  
County Hall  
Northampton

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### AGENDA

\* Papers enclosed

> Papers to follow

Item No.	Time	Subject	Page No.	Responsible Officer & Tel No. (01604)
1.	10.00	Apologies for non-attendance		James Edmunds 366053
2.		Notification of requests from members of the public to address the meeting.		James Edmunds 366053
3.		(a) Declaration of Members' Interests, if any; (b) Declaration of whip, if any  <i>Northamptonshire County Council takes seriously any breach of the Code of Conduct. Councillors need only declare an interest that has not been recorded in the register of interests. Any councillor who declares such an interest must remove him or herself for the whole of the item.</i>  <i>Councillors are asked to declare:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ the item number in which they have an interest;</li><li>▪ the nature of the interest; and</li><li>▪ if it is a discloseable pecuniary interest or non-statutory interest.</li></ul>		James Edmunds 366053
4.	10.05	Chair's Announcements		James Edmunds 366053

<b>COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT</b>				
5. *	10.10	Minutes of the Environment, Development & Transport Scrutiny Committee meeting on 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2016  <i>To agree the minutes of the previous meeting.</i>	5-12	Catherine Greenfield 366084
<b>POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW</b>				
6.	10.15	Overview of the Highways Strategy <i>Presentation</i>	--	Debbie Taylor-Bond 364301
<b>WORK PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT</b>				
7.	11.00	Environment, Development & Transport Scrutiny Committee Work Programme  <i>Update on the work undertaken by the committee's working groups looking into;</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire and Rescue Service Review</li> <li>• Questions for councillors to ask schools regarding apprenticeships</li> <li>• Waste Reduction</li> <li>• The Northampton - Bedford Rail Link</li> <li>• Unadopted roads</li> </ul>	13-18	James Edmunds 366053
<b>URGENT BUSINESS</b>				
<b>Urgent Business</b> Such other business which, by reasons of the special circumstances to be specified, the Chair is of the opinion is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration. (Members who wish to raise urgent business are requested to inform the Chair beforehand).				
<b>EXEMPT ITEMS</b>				
In respect of the following items the Chairman may move the resolution set out below, on the grounds that if the public were present it would be likely that exempt information (information regarded as private for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1972) would be disclosed to them: The Committee is requested to resolve:				
"That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that if the public were present it would be likely that exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act of the descriptions against each item would be disclosed to them".				
			<b>Exemption Category</b>	

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This meeting will be webcast and can be accessed using the following link: <http://www.northamptonshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>

Quentin Baker, LGSS Director of LGSS Law and Governance  
8<sup>th</sup> November 2016

## **Public Contribution to Scrutiny Committee meetings**

This section of the agenda papers is intended to provide members of the public with further information on the role and membership of the Environment, Development & Transport Scrutiny Committee, and on opportunities to attend and contribute to scrutiny committee meetings.

### **What is the Environment, Development & Transport Scrutiny Committee?**

The Scrutiny Committee is responsible for scrutinising issues relating to the environment; highways and transport; development and growth; waste management; flooding; protective services; and community safety.

### **Who are the members of the Environment, Development & Transport Scrutiny Committee?**

The membership of the Scrutiny Committee consists of 10 councillors, reflecting the political balance of the County Council. The membership is as follows:

Councillor Elizabeth Coombe (Chair)	Councillor Paul Bell (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Jim Broomfield	Councillor Gareth Eales
Councillor Stan Heggs	Councillor Alan Hills
Councillor Derek Lawson	Councillor Allan Matthews
Councillor Sarah Uldall	Councillor Allen Walker

### **When does the Environment, Development & Transport Scrutiny Committee meet?**

The Environment, Development & Transport Scrutiny Committee has four scheduled meetings per year. The scheduled meeting dates in 2016/17 are given below. All meetings take place at 10.00am at County Hall in Northampton:

8<sup>th</sup> June 2016

14<sup>th</sup> September 2016

16<sup>th</sup> November 2016

8<sup>th</sup> March 2017

### **How do I find out about what is being discussed at Scrutiny Committee meetings?**

The agenda papers for all Council committee meetings are published 5 working days in advance and can be obtained from County Hall or downloaded from the County Council website at: <http://cmis.northamptonshire.gov.uk/cmis5live/>

### **Can I take part in Scrutiny Committee meetings?**

Scrutiny committee meetings are normally held in public and members of the public are free to attend. Members of the public also have the right to address the Committee or ask a question on any item on the agenda for a particular meeting. Anyone wishing to speak at a scrutiny committee meeting should notify the Overview & Scrutiny Manager (whose name and contact details are given on the front page of this agenda) by 12 noon, two working days before the date of the meeting. Individuals addressing the Committee are entitled to up to 3 minutes to make their point.

## **Declaration of Interests**

Members are reminded that Northamptonshire County Council's Code of Conduct contains provisions relating to the declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, (DPI), and Non-Statutory Disclosable Interests, (NSDI). Please refer to the Members' Code of Conduct in Part 5 of the Constitution for a fuller description of what constitutes a DPI or an NSDI.

Members are asked to note that under the new Code of Conduct, they need only declare the existence of either a DPI or NSDI, if that interest is **not** already listed in their register of Members' interests. Councillors are reminded of the seriousness of failing to declare a DPI or NSDI interest.

In addition, Members are reminded that if they have a DPI or a significant NSDI, in a matter to be discussed, whether registered or not, they must not take part in the debate or vote on that matter and should remove themselves from the meeting room irrespective of whether they are a member of the committee.

When declaring an interest at a meeting, councillors are asked to state:

- The item number in which they have an interest;
- The nature of the interest; and
- Whether the interest is a discloseable pecuniary interest, (DPI), or non-statutory disclosable interest, (NSDI).

## **Seeking Advice**

It is your responsibility to decide whether any of these provisions apply to you in particular circumstances, but you may wish to seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer before the meeting.