

Rural and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL



Thursday, 7 January 2021 at 2.00 pm

Virtual meeting - This meeting is being held remotely using
Skype for Business

Committee Members: Councillor Ray Wootten (Chairman)
Councillor Sarah Trotter (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Mike Exton, Councillor Mrs Rosemary Kaberry-Brown, Councillor Philip Knowles, Councillor Amanda Wheeler and Councillor Linda Wootten

Invited Cabinet Members Councillor Kelham Cooke, the Leader of the Council
Councillor Barry Dobson, the Deputy Leader of the Council
Councillor Annie Mason, the Cabinet Member for Communities
Councillor Dr Peter Moseley, the Cabinet Member for Commercial and Operations
Councillor Robert Reid, the Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning
Councillor Adam Stokes, the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources
Councillor Rosemary Trollope-Bellew, the Cabinet Member for Culture and Visitor Economy

Agenda

Virtual Meeting - Joining Arrangements

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1. Comments form Members of the Public

To receive comments or views from members of the public at the Committee's discretion.

2. Register of attendance, membership and apologies for absence

3. Disclosure of Interest

Members are asked to disclose any interest in matters for consideration at the meeting.

4. Action Notes from the meeting held on 12 November 2020

(Pages 5 - 16)

5. Updates from the previous meeting

(Pages 17 - 19)

6. Verbal Update from Cabinet Members

Verbal report provided by Cabinet Members

7. Anti-Racism Report

(Pages 21 - 27)

Report detailing Council's response to a Motion as agreed by Council on 1 October 2020 in seeking to challenge and tackle all forms of racism

8. Review of Voids

To follow

To review the current void property process and policy to substantially reduce void period and increase revenues to the Council's housing revenue account and make more properties available per annum to those in housing need

9. Future Work Programme

(Pages 29 - 31)

Consider any amendments or addition to the Work Programme for the Committee

10. Any other business which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, decides is urgent

