

AGENDA

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 11 January 2023

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, ME10 3HT*

Membership:

Councillors Richard Darby, Steve Davey, Oliver Eakin, James Hall, Ann Hampshire, Nicholas Hampshire, Pete Neal, Julian Saunders (Chair), David Simmons, Sarah Stephen, Eddie Thomas, Roger Truelove, Tim Valentine (Vice-Chair), Tony Winckless and Corrie Woodford.

Quorum = 5

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Members who are in any doubt about interests, bias or predetermination should contact the monitoring officer for advice prior to the meeting.

4. Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the [Meeting](#) held on 3 November 2022 (Minute Nos. 415 – 421) and the Extraordinary Meeting held on 19 December 2022 (Minute Nos. to follow) as correct records.

Part B reports for the Environment Committee to decide

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To decide whether to pass the resolution set out below in respect of the following item:

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 and 4.

3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and any employees of, or office holders under, the authority.

9. Sittingbourne Car Club Proposal - a review - Exempt Appendix 1

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