

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Scrutiny Committee to be held in John Meikle Room (JMR), Deane House, Taunton, TA1 1HE on 21 March 2019 at 6.15 pm.

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## Agenda

- 1 Apologies.
- 2 Declarations of Interest.  
  
To receive and record any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests or personal or prejudicial interests in respect of any matters included on the agenda for consideration at this meeting.  
(The personal interests of Councillors and Clerks of Somerset County Council, Town or Parish Councils and other Local Authorities will automatically be recorded in the minutes.)
- 3 Public Question Time.
- 4 Call-In, by Councillors Habib Farbahi and Ian Morrell, of the decision made by Executive Councillor Mark Edwards to approve the allocation of £825,000 from New Homes Bonus for site enabling activities on Firepool. (Pages 5 - 12)
- 5 Spotlight Review into Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour in Taunton Town Centre (Report of the Chairman of the Task and Finish Cllr Ian Morrell) (Pages 13 - 70)
- 6 Scrutiny Work Programme.

Bruce Lang  
Assistant Chief Executive

13 March 2019

Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and listen to the discussions.

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Speaking under “Public Question Time” is limited to 4 minutes per person in an overall period of 15 minutes. The Committee Administrator will keep a close watch on the time and the Chairman will be responsible for ensuring the time permitted does not overrun. The speaker will be allowed to address the Committee once only and will not be allowed to participate further in any debate.

Except at meetings of Full Council, where public participation will be restricted to Public Question Time only, if a member of the public wishes to address the Committee on any matter appearing on the agenda, the Chairman will normally permit this to occur when that item is reached and before the Councillors begin to debate the item.

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## **Scrutiny Committee Members:**

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Councillor F Smith-Roberts (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor J Blatchford  
Councillor N Cavill  
Councillor W Coombes  
Councillor E Gaines  
Councillor A Gunner  
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Councillor R Henley  
Councillor R Lees  
Councillor L Lisgo  
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