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#### To: All Members of the Planning, Transport and Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel

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Chief Executive and other appropriate officers Press and Public

Dear Member

# Planning, Transport and Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel: Tuesday, 15th January, 2013

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **Planning**, **Transport and Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel**, to be held on **Tuesday**, **15th January**, **2013** at **2.00 pm** in the **Council Chamber - Guildhall**, **Bath**.

The agenda is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely



Mark Durnford for Chief Executive

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#### at 2.00 pm in the Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath

### <u>A G E N D A</u>

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
- 2. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Chair will draw attention to the emergency evacuation procedure as set out under Note 6.

- 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS
- 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Members who have an interest to declare are asked to:

- a) State the Item Number in which they have the interest
- b) The nature of the interest
- c) Whether the interest is personal, or personal and prejudicial

Any Member who is unsure about the above should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting in order to expedite matters at the meeting itself.

- 5. TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIRMAN
- 6. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC OR COUNCILLORS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS, STATEMENTS, PETITIONS OR QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THIS MEETING

At the time of publication no notifications had been received.

- 7. MINUTES: 13TH NOVEMBER 2012 (Pages 7 20)
- 8. CABINET MEMBER UPDATE

This item gives the Panel an opportunity to ask questions to the Cabinet Member(s) and for them to update the Panel on any current issues.

9. URBAN GULLS (Pages 21 - 24)

The Panel has requested an update regarding action being taken to mitigate the impacts of urban gulls in Bath and North East Somerset.

#### 10. CORE STRATEGY UPDATE (Pages 25 - 30)

The B&NES Core Strategy examination has been suspended in response to concerns raised by the Inspector primarily about the sufficiency of the District's housing land supply. This enables the Council to undertake further work on the Core Strategy including a review of the District's housing need. This review is underway and will lead to changes to the Core Strategy to be considered by Council in February or March 2013.

#### 11. GYPSY & TRAVELLER SITES UPDATE

The Panel will receive a verbal update on this item from the Policy & Environment Manager.

#### 12. PLACEMAKING PLAN UPDATE (Pages 31 - 34)

The Placemaking Plan complements the Council's Core Strategy by setting out the development aspirations and the planning requirements for the delivery of key development sites, and updating and reviewing the planning policies used in the determination of planning applications. This paper sets out the objectives of the Placemaking Plan and broadly outlines the key phases in its production.

#### 13. BATH TRANSPORT CONFERENCE OUTCOMES (Pages 35 - 46)

The Panel at their meeting in October asked for a report on the conference held in September 2012 on the need for a Transport Strategy for Bath. This report outlines the agenda for the conference, the main outcomes and the next steps.

## HIGHWAYS AGENCY - COUNCIL INVOLVEMENT ON SPEED LIMITS (Pages 47 - 48)

#### 15. 20MPH SPEED LIMIT UPDATE (Pages 49 - 54)

A briefing note was tabled at the Planning Transport and Environment PDS Panel on 11th September 2012 giving details of funding and consultation issues, and outlining the progress to date. This current report is to give a further update on progress.

### 16. WORKPLAN (Pages 55 - 66)

This report presents the latest workplan for the Panel (Appendix 1).

The Committee Administrator for this meeting is Mark Durnford who can be contacted on 01225 394458.