



# DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL

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Dennis Holmes, Town Clerk

13th June, 2012

Dear Sir or Madam,

**A SPECIAL MEETING** of the **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, DORCHESTER** on **TUESDAY, 19th JUNE, 2012** commencing at 7.00pm.

I hope that it will be convenient for you to attend.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk

## **Public Rights to Speak**

If any member of the public wishes to speak at this meeting they may be allowed to do so at the discretion of the Chair. It would be helpful if anyone who wishes to address the Committee made their desire known to the Chair before the meeting starts: anyone allowed to speak will be expected to confine their comments to the matter in hand and to be as brief as is reasonably possible.

## **Declaration of Interests**

Members are reminded that the Code of Conduct requires Members to declare any interest which they have in any matter under discussion. If the interest is regarded as a Personal Interest the Member may remain and take part in the consideration of the item but if the interest is a Prejudicial Interest the Member must withdraw from the Chamber during the consideration of it.

## **AGENDA**

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **NEW LOCAL PLAN FOR WEST DORSET, WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND – PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION**

To welcome Ms H. Jordan, Spatial & Community Policy Manager, who is attending the meeting to discuss with Members the new Local Plan for West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland.

The draft Local Plan sets out the long term planning strategy for the area up to the year 2031 and includes detailed policies and site proposals for housing, employment, leisure

and infrastructure. When the Plan is adopted it will be used to assist in decision making on future planning applications.

(Members will note that the enclosed plan only includes policies relating to Dorchester, therefore some pages have been omitted when copied)

A drop-in event will be held in the Corn Exchange on Tuesday, 26th June between 1.00pm and 7.00pm, when there will be further opportunity to ask questions of District Officers.

A Special Meeting of Council will be held at a later date to ratify this Council's formal response to the new draft Local Plan.