

“Committees may negotiate contracts subject to ratification by the officers of the Council.

All contracts which require the Town Clerk’s signature are to be scrutinised by the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk for commercial reasonableness and risk issues and any concerns raised at Full Council for a decision before the contract is signed.”

Members discussed the additional clause and its relevance to the Financial Regulations.

An amendment proposed by Cllr. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. Cadd, that additional information be sought from the Town Clerk and the matter put before the FA&P Committee was carried 11:4.

The amended proposal was then carried by 12 votes to 1, with 2 abstentions.

ACTION TOWN CLERK/FA&P COMMITTEE

Cllr. Mordue arrived during the following discussion.

Cllr. Hirons expressed concern that, under the new scheme of representation at Development Control meetings, the Town Council had to indicate whether it intended to speak at the DCC meeting when an application was considered; the Planning Committee had agreed to consider this on a case-by-case basis and he felt that the Full Council Decisions list should include a similar clause for the applications within its remit.

Proposed by Cllr. Hirons, seconded by Cllr. Mahi, that the Full Council should resolve whether to send a representative to speak at DCC/SDCC meetings when considering planning applications for more than 20 houses, or for mixed developments.

An amendment proposed by Cllr. Harvey to change the wording to the less specific “that the Full Council should resolve whether send a representative to speak at DCC/SDCC meetings when considering planning applications” was accepted by Cllr. Hirons; Members voted 13 for the proposal with 3 abstentions.

7/14 (S.O. 2.10.3)

To review, amend or confirm the terms of references for committees.

7.1 Environment, Property & Health Committee

It was agreed that clause 11.3 should be amended to “.....seating, planters and signage.”

11.5: Members discussed the overlap between Committees on the matter of footpaths but agreed that the wording “maintenance of items falling within their remit” was clear enough; other matters to do with footpaths etc. should remain the concern of Planning.

14. The insertion of “Full” before Council in the last line was agreed.

Members discussed whether the name of the Committee was too long but explained the extent of its remit and if its abbreviation incomprehensible to the public.

Proposed by Cllr. Whyte, seconded by Cllr. Bloomfield, that the name be Environment Committee;

Cllr. Mordue, seconded by Cllr. P. Collins, proposed a reversion to Environment and Property Committee; voting was 2 for, 10 against with 4 abstentions. This amendment then fell and the original proposal received 8 votes for, 6 against with 2 abstentions and was therefore carried.

7.2 Finance, Administration & Personnel Committee

Proposed by Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Harvey, and **AGREED** (10 : 4, 2 abstentions) that the Committee be renamed the Resources Committee.

Clause 13: to have “Full” inserted before Council in the last line, as above.

7.3 Planning Committee

A proposal by Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Stuchbury, that the Committee be renamed “Built Environment and Transport” was defeated (3 : 12 with 1 abstention). Clause 3.2 would be deleted to conform with the other Committee Terms of reference.

Clause 5 was amended by agreement to read “...agree a response to a time-sensitive application, ...” for clarity.

Clause 13: to have “Full” inserted before Council in the last line, as above.

7.4 Town Centre & Events Committee

Proposed by Cllr. Mrs. G. Collins, seconded by Cllr. P. Collins, that the name of the Committee be the Events Committee;

Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Harvey, proposed Entertainments Committee; voting was 2 for, 14 against with no abstentions. This amendment then fell and the original proposal received 4 votes for, 11 against with 1 abstention and therefore also fell, so that the name remains Town Centre & Events Committee.

Clause 11.1: to be amended to “...Charter Fair and to review the contract for Recommendation to Full Council”.

Clause 14: to have “Full” inserted before Council in the last line, as above.

8/14 (S.O. 2.10.4)

The Committee forms received have generated the following table

	Environment	Resources	Planning	Town Centre & Events
Cllr. Bloomfield	√	√		√
Cllr. Cadd	√	√		√
Cllr. Mrs. G. Collins		√		√
Cllr. P. Collins	√	√		
Cllr. J. Harvey	√	√	√	
Cllr. P. Hirons	√	√	√	
Cllr. D. Isham	√	√		√
Cllr. R. Lehmann				
Cllr. A. Mahi <i>Deputy Mayor</i>	√		√	√
Cllr. H. Mordue		√		√
Cllr. R. Newell	√	√	√	√
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue <i>Mayor</i>	√	√		√
Cllr. M. Smith	√	√	√	√
Cllr. C. Strain-Clark	√		√	√
Cllr. R. Stuchbury	√	√	√	√
Cllr. M. Try		√	√	
Cllr. W. Whyte	√		√	

Meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed Date