

TOWN & PARISH COUNCILS BRIEFING / 04.09.18

COUNTDOWN TO 1 APRIL 2019

209 DAYS TO GO (as of 4 September)

We know that town and parish councils are key partners in delivering quality services for Dorset Council residents, so we want to keep you updated as we approach day one of the new council.

We hope you find this fortnightly briefing useful. If you have any questions or feedback, please email shapingdorsetcouncil@dorsetcc.gov.uk

WHAT IS PROGRAMME BOARD?



The Shaping Dorset Council Programme Board is made up of the Dorset area Chief Executives, the Interim Statutory Officers and the Programme Director as well as director-level officers from across the Dorset councils.

Programme Board meets weekly and oversees the delivery of the Shaping Dorset Council programme. They are responsible for managing progress, risks, dependencies and issues within the programme, and ensuring that it is on track to deliver a safe and legal Dorset Council on 1 April 2019.

We'll keep you updated with progress on the Programme and what the new council is starting to look like.

FAQ: WHERE WILL THE DORSET COUNCIL HQ BE?

The new council will be legally registered at South Walks House, Dorchester. This is where all Shadow Executive Committee and Shadow Council meetings are held. Decisions have not yet been made about future use of buildings or where services will operate from.

NEW WEBSITE COMING SOON

In the next few weeks, we'll be launching a Shaping Dorset Council website to keep everyone up to date on progress as we head towards 1 April 2019. We'll be sharing more details shortly.



SHADOW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Shadow Executive Committee (SEC) is made up of 20 councillors from all Dorset area councils and is responsible for overseeing the work to create Dorset Council. The SEC meet monthly on a formal basis to take decisions, but hold additional informal meetings in between.

The latest meeting took place on 21 August and you can view all committee papers [here](#). Topics considered included:

- Electoral boundary review
- Implementation plan for Dorset Council
- Design principles for the new Dorset Council operating model
- Shaping Dorset Council programme communications and engagement plan
- Transfer of toilets and reserved car park area to Corfe Castle Parish Council

WHAT'S ON IN **SEPTEMBER**

17 SEP ■ Shadow Executive Committee, 4pm, South Walks House, Dorchester.

27 SEP ■ Shadow Dorset Council, 6.30pm, South Walks House, Dorchester.



SHADOW EXECUTIVE LEAD MEMBERS APPOINTED

Each member of the Shadow Executive Committee (SEC) has been assigned a Lead Member role for a theme area. Lead Members will input into and comment on reports that cover their area before they go to the SEC and will present the reports at SEC.

- Health and Wellbeing - Cllr Rebecca Knox
- Harbours, Beaches & Coastal Defences - Cllr Colin Huckle
- Finance - Cllr Tony Ferrari
- Economic Development (Tourism, LEP and Skills) - Cllr Gary Suttle (LEP) and Cllr Andrew Parry (Skills)
- Environment, Roads & Parks - Cllr Daryl Turner
- Property & Assets - Cllr Jeff Cant
- Heritage, Museums, Culture, Arts & Family History Centre - Cllr Matthew Hall
- Digital, ICT & Information Governance - Cllr Simon Tong
- Customer Access & Engagement - Cllr Graham Carr-Jones
- HR & Workforce - Cllr Peter Wharf
- Governance - Cllr Spencer Flower
- Communications - Cllr Gary Suttle and Cllr Rebecca Knox
- Safeguarding (Community Safety) - Cllr Pauline Batstone
- Adult Services - Cllr Jill Haynes
- Planning - Cllr David Walsh
- Emergency Planning & Regulatory Services - Cllr Barry Quinn
- Housing - Cllr Graham Carr-Jones
- Communities - Cllr Sherry Jespersen
- Leisure Services - Cllr Mary Penfold
- Waste - Cllr Tony Alford
- Children's Services - Cllr Steve Butler
- Education & Skills - Cllr Andrew Parry

If you have got any questions about these areas in relation to the new Dorset Council, you can contact the Lead Member directly. You can find this list along with contact details for all of the Lead Members on the Shadow Executive page of our website:

dorsetareacouncils.wordpress.com

