

# Supporting papers - Planning+Consultation Cmtee

4th December 2017

AGENDA ITEM 6a)

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**Subject:** FW: Supporting families with young children in Dorset

**From:** ChildrensServicesBusinessSupport [<mailto:csbusinesssupport@dorsetcc.gov.uk>]

**Sent:** 28 November 2017 11:30

**Subject:** Supporting families with young children in Dorset

Dorset County Council (Children's Services) are exploring how we support families with children aged 0-5 in the future – and are looking for families and interested parties to help tell us what's important to them.

We have a duty to ensure that there are sufficient early childhood services available across the county, although we are not responsible for providing them all ourselves. This includes information, advice and support around health, money and parenting, as well as childcare and children's centres.

There have been a number of changes over the last few years including the introduction of 30 hours free childcare, free childcare for some two-year-olds, as well as the reduction in funding from the Government. We're also working more closely with other services - such as health visitors and midwives - to provide support in the places where people go, and know that more families are going online for information and advice.

It's important that we regularly look at this to make sure we're meeting the needs of local families - particularly those most in need of help.

We'd be grateful if local councillors and any other interested parties could complete this short questionnaire, which should only take 5 minutes to complete.

A link to the survey can be found [here](#), and will close at midnight on Sunday 14th January, 2018.

We'd also really value you letting parents know about the survey and encourage them to take part. Maybe you could post the link on your website, Facebook/Twitter or in a regular email. Parents or carers who participate have the opportunity to enter our prize draw to win a £50 high street voucher.

Link: [www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/0-5survey](http://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/0-5survey)

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## Supporting families with young children in Dorset

We'd like you to help us shape how we support families with children aged 0-5 in the future.

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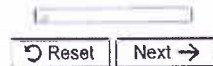
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We'd be grateful if you could fill in this short questionnaire, which should only take 5 minutes to complete, to help us find out what's important to you, how you like to receive information and where you go for support.

We also want to hear from people who support children - including practitioners, community groups and local charities - as your feedback will be really useful.

This survey will close at midnight on Sunday 14th January, 2018.

Also if you are replying to this survey as a parent or carer you have the opportunity to enter our prize draw to win a £50 high street voucher





Are you answering this survey as a;  
(you need to answer this question to continue)

- Parent or carer
- Other family member
- Local councillor
- Childcare provider
- A professional working in early years
- On behalf of a school
- On behalf of an organisation
- On behalf of a District, Town or Parish Council
- Other

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These are the things we think are important when providing services to families with young children. We would like to find out how much you agree or disagree with us.

**'Families, practitioners and the wider community should work together to provide the best start in life for children.'**

~ We believe it is important that families, practitioners (professionals who work with families) and the wider-community work together to provide children the best start in life.



**'A best start means children develop well and are ready for school; parents are capable and confident; and families are healthy and financially stable.'**

- ~ Children are ready for starting school well.
- ~ Parents/carers feel confident in their parenting role, and know where to go if they don't.
- ~ Families experience good physical and mental health and well being.
- ~ Families are able to access financial help, manage money and are ready for entering work.



**'Support for families with young children should be based on evidence of what works.'**

~ Any services or support you receive from Dorset County Council (and partners) are tried and tested and are known to work well.



**'The benefits of learning through play should be at the heart of services for young children.'**

~ Children learn through having fun and exploring the world around them in a playful way. Through play they are able to build positive relationships.

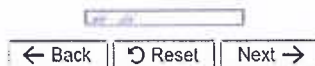


**'Public funding should be used to support the most vulnerable and to enable the voluntary and private sector to deliver universal childcare.'**

We believe that in times when the public purse is under pressure, local government funding is used to support the most vulnerable, and to enable the voluntary and private sector to deliver universal childcare and support.



Are there any other key objectives that are important to you?





We would like to work with you to develop future support and advice for Dorset families. Would you be interested in getting involved in some way?

- Yes
- No

Thank you for taking the time to complete our survey. Please now press submit.

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# AGENDA ITEM (6b)

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**Subject:** Get involved with NALC's diversity work

**From:** Daptc [<mailto:daptc@dorsetcc.gov.uk>]  
**Sent:** 15 November 2017 14:04  
**To:** Daptc <[daptc@dorsetcc.gov.uk](mailto:daptc@dorsetcc.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** FW: Get involved with NALC's diversity work

Dear Clerks,

Please find below an email from NALC asking for you and your councils help in completing a survey on the diversity of town and parish councillors.

Kind Regards  
Debbie

Debbie Hollings  
Customer Relationship Manager



**Dorset Association of Parish & Town Councils**  
(Affiliated to the National Association of Local Councils)

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## **Enabling Local Councils in Dorset to achieve excellence**

**DAPTC Office Hours 9am to 2pm Monday to Friday**

**From:** diversitycommission [<mailto:diversitycommission@nalc.gov.uk>]  
**Sent:** 14 November 2017 16:43  
**Subject:** Get involved with NALC's diversity work

Have you heard about NALC's new diversity commission?

The diversity commission has been formed by NALC to promote and increase the diversity of councillors in local councils as well as In county associations and NALC.

NALC thinks it is vital that diversity is promoted in a sector that strives for equality and fair representation of the community and the diversity commission wants your help to make this a success.

So how can you get involved?

**Take our local council [census survey](#)**

The Diversity Commission wants to do something ground-breaking. For the first time ever they will be carrying out a national census survey of all of England's local councils. They want to know what local councils look like to establish how diverse local councils currently are. This will drive the work the Commission does but it doesn't happen without

you. The survey takes 10 minutes to fill out and should be carried out by a councillor or clerk on behalf of the council. **Take the survey [here](#).**

### **[Tell us your thoughts](#) on diversity – become a diversity champion**

Is your council a diversity champion? Should others follow your example? Let us know! We want to hear examples of what your local council is doing to encourage a diverse audience to get involved and what challenges you may be having. There are 4 optional questions for you to answer and we will be sharing your stories at some point in the New Year. **Tell us [here](#).**

### **Form a [diversity pledge](#)**

We want you to take action. We are asking councils to form pledges of what action they will take locally to encourage diversity. So far, we have had MPs and organisations pledge their support but we want local councils signed up too. **Submit your diversity pledge [here](#) or see what others have pledged [here](#).**

### **Spread the word!**

Finally, we want you to spread the word about the campaign. Please forward this email on to your local councils and tell anyone you can about the campaign. We also want you to get your MPs to support the campaign. Please also make sure to tweet your diversity stories using @NALC and the hashtag #DiversityWork and we will retweet you. Anything you do will help!

For more information on any of the above please visit [www.nalc.gov.uk/diversitycommission](http://www.nalc.gov.uk/diversitycommission) or contact [diversitycommission@nalc.gov.uk](mailto:diversitycommission@nalc.gov.uk).

I look forward to hearing from you,

Sue Baxter,  
Diversity Commission Chairman,  
National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Chairman

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# AGENDA ITEM 6C

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**Subject:** Minerals and Waste Consultation - Swanage TC

**From:** Trevor G Badley [mailto:t.g.badley@dorsetcc.gov.uk]  
**Sent:** 27 November 2017 10:58  
**To:** Nicola Clark <n.clark@swanage.gov.uk>  
**Cc:** Emma C Macdonald <e.c.macdonald@dorsetcc.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Minerals and Waste Consultation - Swanage TC

**Update regarding the consultation on the Mineral Sites Plan and Waste Plan which is due to begin on Friday 1 December.**

## **Last chance to have your say on future minerals and waste sites**

The final draft Mineral Sites Plan and Waste Plan will be open for public consultation between 1 December 2017 and 31 January 2018. The revised documents give detailed information about future quarries and waste management facilities throughout the county. The Mineral Sites Plan includes seven new Purbeck Stone sites or extensions to existing sites and an extension to Swanworth Quarry to contribute to the adequate and steady supply of crushed rock. The nearest waste proposal is land at Blackhill Road, Holton Heath Industrial Estate in Wareham. This site is allocated for the development of a waste vehicle depot and/or transfer station.

Cllr Daryl Turner, Cabinet member for natural and built environment, said "We are pleased that so many residents took part in a series of consultations over the last few years. Many of their concerns have been incorporated into the plans, and we want to encourage people to review the documents and give us their views during the final consultation in December. The Plans should ensure that we protect Dorset's environment whilst building a sustainable economy for the future."

For more information, go to [www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/minerals-and-waste](http://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/minerals-and-waste) or call 01305 228585/224675

Best Regards  
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