

Options for consideration to change the order of business for Committees

ITEM 11

Option	Proposal	Advantages	Disadvantages
1	<p>Status Quo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff and GP</li> <li>• Lighting</li> <li>• Playing Fields</li> <li>• Planning</li> <li>• Community &amp; Environment</li> <li>• Finance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No disruption or adapting to change</li> <li>• Finance at the “end” of the cycle allows for any new financial decisions arising from Committees to be discussed and sanctioned or otherwise</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does not meet Councillor request to consider a change</li> </ul>
2	<p>Change the Order (a):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lighting</li> <li>• Playing Fields</li> <li>• Community &amp; Environment</li> <li>• Planning</li> <li>• Staff and General Purposes</li> <li>• Finance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meets request from Councillors</li> <li>• Those Committees with “lighter agendas” could meet first and swiftly conduct business in order for more lengthier discussions later</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• External Speakers could be having to wait for extended periods of times (or be invited to attend later and therefore cause minor disruption)</li> </ul>
3	<p>Merge Existing Committees:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning, Finance and Staff and GP tend to have larger work programmes</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lighting/Playing Fields/Community and Environment</li> <li>Planning</li> <li>Staff and GP</li> <li>Finance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Combine the Lighting, Playing Fields and Community and Environment Committees into one Committee (name to be agreed) this could create a "fuller" committee and avoid the need for committees meeting with a limited or no agenda, e.g. Lighting</li> <li>Could ensure a swifter business meeting overall in that the Chair will only need to change once rather than three times (including minute book signing)</li> <li>Could provide a more "fulfilling" Chair's role</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does not provide the opportunity to allow for as many Councillors to be Chairs of Committees</li> </ul>
4	<p>Merge and Change Committees around:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning &amp; GP</li> <li>Lighting and Amenities (incorporating Play Areas)</li> <li>Finance and Staffing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Could provide more "fulfilling" Chair's role</li> <li>Planning and GP could encompass all planning, highways and general matters</li> <li>Lighting and Amenities could consider lighting, play areas, open spaces, football licences etc</li> <li>Finance and Staffing could be merged</li> <li>Retains current structure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides limited opportunity for Councillors to be Chairs</li> </ul>
5	<p>Retain current committees but impose time limits on each committee (as proposed by Councillor Mackie)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Could prove detrimental to key items put forward on agendas</li> </ul>