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## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the **Overview and Scrutiny Committee** will be held on **Tuesday, 17th June, 2025** in the **Council Chamber, Forde House, Brunel Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 4XX** at **10.00 am**

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Managing Director

### Membership:

Councillors Bullivant (Chair), Cox, Hayes, James, MacGregor, Major, Radford, Rollason, Ryan, Smith, Swain, Thorne (Vice-Chair) and Vacancy

**Please Note:** The public can view the live streaming of the meeting at [Teignbridge District Council Webcasting \(public-i.tv\)](#) with the exception where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of the press and public.

## A G E N D A

### Part I

#### 4. **Public questions (if any)** (Pages 3 - 4)

Members of the public may ask questions of the Chair. A maximum period of 15 minutes will be allowed with a maximum period of three minutes per questioner. The deadline for questions is no later than three working days before the date of the meeting i.e. should the meeting be on a Thursday the deadline would be the Friday before at 5pm.

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## Overview and Scrutiny Committee

17 June 2025

### Questions by Members of the Public

The following question from Jenny Dingsdale has been asked of the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee

In April the Supreme Court judgment that women are female was necessary due to the misunderstanding of the law by many sectors and organisations, including the ehrc. All providers bound by the Equality Act must act to resolve the situation. Teignbridge was clearly one of those organisations with a serious misunderstanding of the law, as shown by your reliance on unlawful sport England/UK active guidance. The notice of motion passed in November was for a working group to do exactly what is required following the Supreme Court judgment. Will you now form this group, 7 months on, or what other steps will you now take to ensure compliance with the law, not just guidance?

### Response

*Teignbridge District Council has and is acting both lawfully and reasonably in its approach to this subject matter. The Notice of Motion was properly considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Committee's findings and recommendations are to be presented to Full Council on 29 July 2025, for its consideration.*

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