

		AGENDA ITEM 3
		PSEG/36/14
Committee:	Place Services and Economic Growth Scrutiny Committee	
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Arising from Cabinet changes made earlier this Autumn Councillor Kay Twitchen has been appointed as a Deputy to Councillor Hirst as Cabinet Member for Libraries, Communities and Planning.

In the Constitution there is a provision that 'A Deputy to a Cabinet Member should not serve on an Overview and Scrutiny Committee that scrutinises the work undertaken by the Cabinet Member' (20.2). As the Place Services and Economic Growth Scrutiny Committee remit incorporates part of Councillor Hirst's portfolio consideration has been given to Councillor Twitchen's continued membership of this Committee.

Careful thought has been given to the breadth of the Committee's remit and the valuable experience that Councillor Twitchen is able to contribute to its consideration of a wide range of issues that fall outside of Councillor Hirst's portfolio. Consequently it is proposed that Councillor Twitchen remain as a member of the Committee. However, when the Committee scrutinises an issue falling within Councillor Hirst's portfolio she will not take part in the consideration of that issue and will withdraw from the meeting. This will enable her to continue to take an active role in the scrutiny of the broader remit of the Committee which will benefit from her wide ranging knowledge and experience.

At today's meeting the Committee will be considering Country Parks car parking charges prior to a decision being taken by Councillor Hirst in the New Year. Therefore Councillor Twitchen will not attend the meeting during consideration of that item.

Action required by the Committee at this meeting:

That the Committee endorse the proposed course of action set out in the foregoing report.
