



To all Members of the County Council

An ordinary meeting of the County Council will be held at **10.30 a.m.** on **Friday, 13 February 2015** at **Chichester College, Westgate Fields, Chichester, PO19 1SB.**

Agenda

1. Members' Interests

Members are asked to disclose any pecuniary or personal interests in matters appearing on the agenda.

2. Minutes

The Council is asked to confirm the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the County Council held on 19 January 2015 (pages 409 to 416).

3. Review of Proportionality

The County Council has a statutory duty following Mr Petch's recent change in group affiliation to review the proportionality on its committees. A brief explanation of the proportionality rules and how they are applied is set out on page 417. A table showing the number of seats on committees will follow.

4. Appointments

Following the review of proportionality, to consider proposed changes by the Groups to appointments. Proposals will be circulated. Changes will take effect from the end of the meeting.

10.45 a.m.* 5. **Address by a Cabinet Member**

At the discretion of the Chairman, to receive any address by a Cabinet Member on a matter of urgency and/or significant interest to the County Council and which relates to the powers and responsibilities of the County Council or which affects the Council.

Note: *The County Chairman will ask the Council to agree to change the normal order of business to allow consideration of the Future West Sussex Plan and budget at this point on the agenda.*

6. **Future West Sussex Plan 2015-19 and Draft Budget 2015/16 to 2018/19 and Treasury Management Strategy 2015/16**

The County Council is asked to consider and approve the draft Future West Sussex Plan 2015-19 and draft Budget 2015/16 to 2018/19 in the light of a report by the Leader and the Cabinet Member for Finance (pages 419 to 422). Copies of the Future West Sussex Plan (Appendix 1) and the Budget Pack (Appendix 2) are enclosed with the agenda. The Council is also asked to consider and approve the Treasury Management Strategy 2015/16 in the light of a report by the Cabinet Member for Finance (pages 95 to 124 of Appendix 2). A correction to the budget recommendations.

7. **Cabinet and Written Questions**

(a) **Written Questions**

A member who has submitted a written question is entitled to put one supplementary question arising from the circulated answer.

1 p.m. **Lunch (In the event that the morning business is finished before lunch the afternoon business will be brought forward as appropriate.)**

2.15 p.m. (b) **Cabinet Member Question Time**

Questions to Cabinet Members on the attached report on matters which have arisen in respect of their portfolios since the meeting of the Council on 12 December 2014 (pages 423 to 429) and any supplementary report.

(1 hour 30 minutes is allocated for Cabinet Member questions)

(c) **Leader's Question Time**

Questions to the Leader on anything that is currently relevant to the County Council.

(15 minutes is allocated for questions to the Leader)

8. **Electoral Review Panel**

(a) **Constitution of the Electoral Review Panel**

The Council is asked to approve changes to the constitution of the Electoral Review Panel in the light of a report from the Chairman of the Governance Committee (pages 430 to 432).

(b) **Appointments**

The Council is asked to approve two changes to the current membership of the Electoral Review Panel which have been requested by Group Leaders:

- Mr M G Jones in place of Mrs Smith
- Mr S J Oakley in place of Mr Hunt
and

Subject to the outcome of item 8(a) above, the Council is asked to approve any further changes according to the wishes of political groups.

9. Notices of Motion

- (a) To consider the following motion, submitted by Mr G L Jones, which was referred to the Cabinet Member for Corporate Relations at the meeting of the County Council on 12 December 2014:

'In 2012 the County Council signed the Armed Forces Community Covenant, in which we committed to support the Armed Forces Community working and residing in West Sussex.

It is of paramount importance that we honour our pledges in the Community Covenant and continually strive to ensure that those commitments are translated into actions to improve the lives of all those who are either in active service or have served our country.

We recognise that veterans can find making the transition to civilian life extremely challenging, particularly in finding and securing lasting employment and believe that the County Council has a leading role to play in helping ex-servicemen and women to fulfil their potential outside of the Services.

This Council therefore asks the Cabinet Member for Corporate Relations to commit to signing up to the 'Veteran's Guaranteed Interview Scheme', created by the independent charity 'Soldier On!' and to fulfil the Scheme's two criteria:

- To interview all veterans who meet the minimum criteria for a job vacancy and to consider them on their abilities;
- To review this commitment annually and assess what has been achieved.

We also ask the Cabinet Member to commit to, wherever practicable, encouraging our suppliers and contractors to sign up to the scheme and also to promote the principles of the scheme to all employers within the county.'

and the report of the Cabinet Member for Corporate Relations ([page 433](#)).

- (b) To consider the following motion, submitted by Mrs Mullins, which was referred to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport at the meeting of the County Council on 12 December 2014:

'This Council notes that none of the towns, villages, or housing estates in the county were ever designed to accommodate the presently required parking

provision and no one could have predicted how parking problems would blight our communities today. This Council believes that, although different parking issues affect communities in different ways, parking is a county-wide problem which will soon reach crisis point. Not only do parking issues cause frustration and tension between neighbours, they also lead to costly damage to the infrastructure, increased congestion and safety issues due to blocked access routes for emergency and service vehicles.

This Council resolves to tackle this issue by asking the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport to set up a Parking Strategy Working Group involving district, borough, town and parish councils to proactively consider parking improvement schemes in all towns and villages to deal with this issue, ensuring that any profit from parking schemes and measures are re-invested into parking alleviation schemes throughout the county.

The Working Group should explore possibilities such as park and ride schemes; facilitating a reasonable cost one-stop service for residential driveway installation and focussing in particular on the issues around railway stations. Phase two of the strategic working group should look at longer term solutions to this problem such as (a) reviewing current planning requirements county-wide to ensure future developments for both commercial and residential properties include adequate provision for parking; and (b) the extent to which safe cycle tracks and lanes to link our towns and villages would have a positive impact on travel across the county and thereby reduce parking issues.'

and the report of the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport ([page 434](#)).

10. Report of Urgent Action

To note urgent action taken under regulation 11 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 (pages 435 and 436).

4.15 p.m.

County Council concludes. Items not commenced by 4.15 p.m. will be deferred to the following meeting.

Director of Law, Assurance and Strategy
4 February 2015

* The times stated indicate the latest end times for previous business and should not be relied on as start times for subsequent items