

## **To all Members of the County Council**

An ordinary meeting of the County Council will be held at **10.30 a.m.** on **Friday, 16 December 2016** at **County Hall, Chichester**.

### **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 21 October 2016 (pages 277 to 300).

10.45 a.m.\* 3.

**[Proportionality](#)**

Following Mr G L Jones' recent change in group affiliation, the County Council has a statutory duty to review the proportionality on its committees. A brief explanation of the proportionality rules and how they are applied is set out on page 301 and 302 together with the proportionality following the change in group affiliation and a table showing the resulting number of seats on committees.

4. **[Appointments](#)**

To consider any proposed changes by the Groups to appointments. Any proposals will be circulated and changes will take effect from the end of the meeting.

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.

6. **[Proposed Submission Draft of the West Sussex Joint Minerals Local Plan \(Regulation 19 stage\)](#)**

The Council is asked to consider and approve the Draft West Sussex Minerals Local Plan in the light a report by the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport (pages 303 to 320). A copy of the [Draft Plan](#) is enclosed (PDF, 152 pages 12MB).

7. **Notices of Motion** [see [supplementary agenda](#) for item 7(a)]

- (b) To consider the following motion, submitted by Mr Glennon, notice of which was given on 22 November 2016. A [briefing note](#) is now available.

'This Council recognises that systems of proportional representation produce fairer election results that reflect more closely the will of the electorate.

This Council asks the Governance Committee to lobby the Government to review the underlying electoral system for national and local elections to bring them into line with the modern electoral systems operated within the devolved assemblies.

The Governance Committee is also asked to consider and propose a change the Constitution to allow future task and finish groups to be constituted in line with the proportion of votes cast for each party in the last County Council election.'

- (c) To consider the following motion, submitted by Dr Walsh, notice of which was given on 24 November 2016. A [briefing note](#) is now available.

'Smoking reduction over the last 50 years has significantly contributed to greater longevity and quality of life. It is important that we continue to assist young people not to commence this habit, and to actively help those of all ages to give up smoking.

To that end, this Council asks the Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing to pledge to continue to fund Smoking Cessation services in West Sussex.'

- (d) To consider the following motion, submitted by Mr Evans, notice of which was given on 23 November 2016. A [briefing note](#) is now available.

'This Council in July endorsed the value for our residents of a Fire and Rescue Service that is integrated with other County Council services supported by our democratic arrangements.

Given the work by the Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) to develop proposals to end these ties and take over the service this Council resolves ask the Cabinet to ensure:

- (1) That there is total transparency of any proposals put forward by the PCC to change the organisation and governance of the Fire and Rescue service for West Sussex;
- (2) That there is a full, timely and meaningful consultation with the residents of West Sussex; and
- (3) That the integrity of the County Council's elections in May 2017 is not compromised.'

8. **[Update on Medium Term Financial Strategy, the Capital Programme and Capital Financing Policy](#)**

The Council is asked to consider an update of the County Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy (2017/18 to 2020/21), including plans to balance the budget for 2017/18 and beyond, and a refresh of the Capital Programme (2017/18 to 2021/22). The latter includes seeking approval for additional spending on Basic Need for 2017/18 and the policy by which the County Council sets aside revenue funding to pay for debt incurred in financing the Capital Programme, including a change to the accounting policy currently applied, in the light of a report by the Cabinet Member for Finance (pages 321 to 348).

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

2.00 p.m. 9. **[Governance Committee: Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel on the Scheme of Members' Allowances](#)**

The Council is asked to consider recommendations from the Independent Remuneration Panel in the light of a report from the Governance Committee (pages 349 to 376).

10. **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.

(b) **[Cabinet Member Question Time](#)**

Questions to Cabinet Members on anything relevant to their portfolios (including the economy portfolio which rests with the Leader). The attached report covers relevant council business or developments in respect of portfolios arising since the meeting of the Council on 21 October 2016 (pages 377 to 387). A [supplementary report](#) may be published.

*(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. A report on any significant matters in respect of the work of the Leader since the publication of the agenda may be published.

*(15 minutes is allocated for questions to the Leader)*

11. **Corporate Parenting Panel**

The County Council is asked to consider and note an overview of the recent work of the Corporate Parenting Panel (pages 388 to 390).

12. **Governance Committee: County Council Question Times, Delegation of Functions to Officers and proposal to dissolve the Care Commissioning Planning Group**

The Council is asked to consider a number of changes to the Constitution in the light of a report from the Governance Committee (pages 391 to 400).

13. **Regulation, Audit and Accounts Committee: Changes to the arrangements for appointment of External Auditors**

The Council is asked to consider the acceptance of the invitation from the Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited to become an opt-in authority for the purposes of the appointment of the External Auditor for both the County Council and the West Sussex Pension Fund, under the provision of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the requirements of the Local Audit (Appointing Person) Regulations 2015, in the light of a report from the Regulation, Audit and Accounts Committee (pages 401 to 403).

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 and Assurance  
7 December 2016

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