

To all Members of the County Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the ordinary meeting of the County Council, to be held at **10.30 a.m.** on **Friday, 19 October 2012** 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 annual meeting of the County Council held on 20 July 2012 (pages 171 to 204).

10.45 a.m.* 3. **Appointments to Committees**

To consider proposed changes by the political groups to existing appointments. Proposals will be circulated. Changes will take effect from the end of the meeting.

4. **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.

5. **Petition**

The Council is asked to debate the following petition in accordance with Standing Order 10(1):

Don't Cut Us Out Campaign Petition against Cuts in Care

'We the undersigned protest against the deeply damaging cuts West Sussex County Council has imposed on disabled and elderly people.

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

While cutting £31million from adult social care, WSCC has salted away a massive £38million into Reserves, which now stand at a record £146million. To stockpile Reserves at the expense of the vulnerable is not only unfair, it is immoral.

WSCC has the money available to reinstate care for vulnerable people and to re-invest in vital Council day centres.

We call on WSCC to do so without delay.'

(5 minutes is allocated for the Lead Petitioner, 5 minutes for the Cabinet Member's response followed by an opportunity for a members' debate of no more than 30 minutes with each member allowed to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes. At the end of the debate and before any proposition is put, the Lead Petitioner and Cabinet Member will each be given 3 minutes for a closing statement.)

6. **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 the attached report on matters which have arisen in respect of their portfolios since the meeting of the Council on 20 July 2012 (pages 205 to 212) and any supplementary report.

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.

(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)
(1 hour 30 minutes is allocated for Cabinet Member questions.
Note: The Council will be asked to agree to trial the imposition of a time limit of two minutes for the asking of each question and five minutes for each answer)*

7. **Proposed Submission Draft of the West Sussex Waste Local Plan (Regulation 19 Stage)**

The County Council is asked to consider and approve the Proposed Submission Draft of the West Sussex Waste Local Plan for public consultation purposes, in the light of the report by the Deputy Leader and portfolio for Communities, Environment and Enterprise (pages 213 to 229). The [Proposed Submission Draft West Sussex Waste Local Plan](#) is enclosed with the agenda.

8. [Governance Committee: Revised Pay Policy Statement](#)

The County Council is asked to consider and approve a revised Pay Policy Statement to take effect from 1 January 2013 following changes to the Senior Management Structure in the light of a report by the Governance Committee (pages 230 to 237).

9. [Governance Committee: Adoption Panel Terms of Reference](#)

The County Council is asked to consider and approve changes to the terms of reference of the Adoption Panel in the light of a report by the Governance Committee (pages 238 and 239).

10. **Notices of Motion**

- (a) To consider the following motion, submitted by Mrs Knight and moved by Dr Wilsdon, which was referred to the the Deputy Leader and portfolio for Communities, Environment and Enterprise at the meeting of the County Council on 20 July 2012:

'This Council is concerned that 40% of young people nationally live in homes containing 10 books or fewer and believes children should be encouraged to develop their reading skills as early as possible and not be constrained by social or family financial limitations.

This Council values the free book gifting scheme known as 'Bookstart' in conjunction with the charity Booktrust which provides free books to children living in West Sussex and resolves to ask the Deputy Leader and portfolio for Communities, Environment and Enterprise to explore ways to enable all children starting and joining school in West Sussex to be automatically enrolled at their local library and provided with a library card.

Furthermore, this Council asks the Deputy Leader to write to the Secretary of State for Education pledging support for the Bookstart scheme and asking him to ensure sufficient funding is made available for Booktrust to continue their highly valued book gifting scheme during 2014/15 and beyond.'

and the [report of the Deputy Leader](#) (page 240).

- (b) To consider the following motion, submitted by Mr Deedman, which was referred to the the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport at the meeting of the County Council on 20 July 2012:

'This Council recognises the detrimental effect that congestion on the A27 has on the economy of West Sussex, particularly at the three main bottlenecks around Arundel, Worthing/Lancing and Chichester.

This also causes many drivers to 'rat-run' through rural villages such as Storrington to avoid the congestion on the A27.

At the present time the Department for Transport does not propose bringing forward funding to address these issues before 2015 although a feasibility study considering options for bringing private investment into the national road network is expected to be published in the autumn.

The Council resolves to ask the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport in the meantime to:

- (1) Investigate all possible options for funding improvements to the A27, including making a contribution from the County Council towards the Arundel Bypass; and
- (2) Write to the Minister for Transport, suggesting that the A27 be used as a pilot for a new owner and financial model.'

and the [report of the Cabinet Member](#) for Highways and Transport (page 241).

- (c) To consider the following motion, submitted by Mrs Millson, notice of which was given on 1 October 2012:

'This Council supports Jessica's campaign which aims to raise awareness about the extent of the problem of scam mail across the UK. According to statistics published by the Office of Fair Trading, only 1 in 5 cases are reported and therefore the likelihood is there are many vulnerable people across the county who have suffered in this way.

This Council resolves to ask the Cabinet Member for Health and Adults' Services and the Cabinet Member for Public Protection to:

- (1) Publicise information about the dangers of mass marketing fraud widely to West Sussex residents with a particular emphasis on raising awareness among elderly residents and carers; and
- (2) Write to the Minister for Employment relations, consumer and postal affairs at the Department for Business and Industry pledging our support for the campaign and asking him to take action to prevent vulnerable residents of West Sussex and beyond falling prey to these scams like Jessica did.'

11. [Report of Urgent Action](#)

To note urgent action taken under regulation 16 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 (pages 242 and 243).

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

Head of Legal and Democratic Services
10 October 2012