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Decisions Published in the Past Week

The following proposed decisions have been published during the past week and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated

Call-in Deadline	Decision-Maker	No.	Proposal	Officer Contact
09/07/14	Joint Eastern Arun Area Committee	EA1(14/15) EA2(14/15) EA3(14/15)	Prevention and Wellbeing Grants Applications 2014/15 Community Initiative Funding Appointments and Nominations to School and Academy Governing Bodies	Monique Smart 033022 22540
11/07/14	Cabinet Member for Finance	FIN6(14/15)	Members' Big Society Fund - Funding Allocations 2014/15	Rosemary Pugh 033022 22548

Decisions Confirmed

The following decisions have been confirmed in the last week

Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
Joint Downland Area Committee	DA2(14/15) DA3(14/15) DA4(14/15)	Prevention and Wellbeing Grant Application 2014/15 Community Initiative Funding Appointments and Nominations to School and Academy Governing Bodies	Monique Smart 033022 22540
North Chichester County Local Committee	NC1(14/15) NC2(14/15) NC3(14/15)	Prevention and Wellbeing Grant Applications 2014/15 Community Initiative Funding Appointments and Nominations to School and Academy Governing Bodies	Wendy Saunders 033022 22553

Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
North Horsham County Local Committee	NH1(14/15) NH2(14/15) NH3(14/15)	Prevention and Wellbeing Grant Application 2014/15 Community Initiative Funding Appointments and Nominations to School and Academy Governing Bodies	James Ironside 033022 22534

Cabinet Members

The Leader has given notice of changes to Cabinet Member portfolios with effect from 9 July 2014. The changes are set out below and the Scheme of Delegation has been amended accordingly (additions shown in bold, italic type and deletions struck through):

Cabinet Member for Children – Start of Life

- Think Family
- Children's Social Care
- Youth Services
- Youth Justice
- Children and Families Health
- ***Special Educational Needs***

Community Wellbeing (and Deputy Leader)

- Public Health
- Drug & Alcohol Action
- Domestic Abuse
- Community Safety
- ~~Adult Skills and Learning~~
- Gypsies and Travellers Policy
- Police Liaison

Education and Skills

- ***Adult Skills and Learning***
- Education, School and Academy Liaison
- Further Education Liaison
- Skills Development and Apprenticeships

Committee News - Committee Meetings

Electoral Division	Item	Subject	Committee Officer
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Environmental and Community Services Select Committee (11 July)			**Rob Castle** (033022 22546)

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All 4 **Cabinet Member responses to recommendations made at the 11 June meeting of the Committee**

The Committee will be asked to consider responses by:

(a) The Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport to the recommendations made by the Committee at its 11 June meeting regarding the Street Lighting Private Finance Initiative Performance and Reviewing and Revising the West Sussex County Council Road Safety Strategy; and

(b) The Leader to the recommendations made by the Committee at its 11 June meeting regarding Review of Kickstart Programme Progress.

All 5 **Annual Crime & Disorder Meeting**

The Committee will receive a presentation on business crime and rural crime:

(a) **Business Crime**

The Committee will be asked to consider a report which provides a background to the development of business crime as a strategic community safety priority and an insight into crime committed against business, its prevalence and implications on communities and sustainable community safety. The following witnesses will speak to the Committee and Inspector Marc Clothier, Sussex Police, will attend to answer questions.

- PC Claire Hart, Business Crime Reduction Co-ordinator, Sussex Police
- Karen Methven, Manager, Crawley & Gatwick Business Watch
- James Mortlock, Repeat Demand Co-ordinator, Chichester/Arun District, Sussex Police
- Ann Swain, Home Affairs policy Unit, Federation of Small Businesses
- Chris Downtown, Principal Trading Standards Officer, West Sussex Trading Standards, West Sussex County Council

The Committee will be requested to consider the work being done by the Safer West Sussex Partnership, and how members can contribute to raising awareness of business crime in their communities across West Sussex and the importance of reporting incidents through identified reporting channels.

(b) **Rural Crime**

The Committee will be asked to consider a report which provides the background to the inclusion of rural crime as a strategic community safety priority and information on the specific issue of under-reporting farm/agricultural crime, criminal damage and acquisitive crime, and on the implication this has for policing rural crime and resulting levels of public confidence. The following witnesses will speak to the Committee:

- Chief Inspector Howard Hodges, Horsham District Commander, Sussex Police
- Pam Bushby, Communities Interventions Manager, Community Safety, Chichester District Council
- Carolyn Randall, Area Manager, Sussex Crimestoppers
- Chief Inspector Martin Sims, Chief Inspector, Neighbourhood Policing Branch, Sussex Police

The Committee will be asked to support the Safer West Sussex Partnership in raising awareness of rural crime and in increasing reporting of rural crime using identified channels.

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All 6 **Requests for Call-in**

There have been no requests for call-in to the Select Committee within its constitutional remit since the date of the last meeting.

All 7 **Forward Plan of Key Decisions – July to October 2014**

The Committee will be asked to consider whether it wishes to enquire into any of the forthcoming decisions within its portfolio.

All 8 **Members' Items**

Members to mention any items which they believe to be of relevance to the business of the Select Committee, and suitable for scrutiny, e.g. raised with them by constituents, arising from central government initiatives etc.

All 9 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Committee will be held on 18 September 2014 at 10.30 a.m. at County Hall, Chichester. Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Head of Law and Governance by 3 September 2014. Items likely to be on the agenda include:

- Public Rights of Way Inspection Regime
- Minerals Local Plan Task & Finish Group Interim Report

West Crawley County Local Committee

✉ **Rosemary Pugh**
(033022 22548)

A new date has now been set for the next meeting of the Crawley County Local Committee, due to be held on 10 July 2014, which was cancelled due to strike action by Unison to be taken on that day. The meeting will now take place on Thursday, 17 July 2014 at 7.00 p.m. in Crawley Library. The Committee has also agreed to a further change of date. The meeting scheduled to be held on 18 September 2014 has been cancelled and will be replaced by a meeting on Tuesday, 14 October 2014 at 7.00 pm in Crawley Library.

Weekly News

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Health

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All 1 **Future of the local NHS - Crawley and Horsham and Mid Sussex CCG '5Communities' Plan** **Helen Kenny** (033022 22532)

NHS Crawley Clinical Commissioning Group and NHS Horsham and Mid Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group are holding three public launch events for their 'Five Communities Plan' – a joint strategic plan to provide the capital

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funding and infrastructure to support health services across Crawley, Horsham, Burgess Hill, Haywards Heath and East Grinstead. The events are on:

- Wednesday, 16 July 2014, 1.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. **at St Andrews Community Centre in Burgess Hill**
- Tuesday, 29 July 2014, 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. **at the Charis Centre in West Green Drive, Crawley**
- Thursday, 31 July 2014, 5.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. **at the Drill Hall in Horsham**

More information is available at: http://www.crawleyccg.nhs.uk/news/help-us-to-secure-the-future-of-nhs-care-in-crawley-horsham-and-mid-sussex/.

Other Matters

All	2	**Forward Plan – August to November 2014**	✉ **Matt Hall** (033022 22539)

The Forward Plan contains details of all key decisions to be taken by the County Council, the Cabinet, Cabinet Members, County Local Committees and officers in the following four months. Key decisions are those which involve expenditure or savings of £500,000 or more or which will have a significant effect on communities in two or more electoral divisions. The latest version of the Plan covering the period August to November 2014 is now available and has been sent to all members.

Communications

County Council Press Releases up to 4 July

30/06/14 - **West Sussex pharmaceutical services go under the spotlight** (PR6655)
A draft report, aimed at developing pharmaceutical services in West Sussex, has been published and is now available for residents to comment on

30/06/14 - **Big business opportunities available in West Sussex this summer** (PR6656)
The County Council has re-iterated its commitment to creating a strong and diverse local economy by supporting the area's biggest annual sales event

30/06/14 - **Next steps in West Sussex's Mineral Local Plan** (PR6657)
The next stage of the process to guide when, where and how minerals production should take place in West Sussex starts today (Monday, 30 June 2014)

30/06/14 - **Better Connected West Sussex broadband project makes high-speed broadband available to 5,000 homes and businesses** (PR6658)
Five thousand more West Sussex homes and businesses can now get access to better, faster broadband thanks to the County Council, BT and the Government's Broadband Delivery UK initiative

01/07/14 - **Views of West Sussex to go on display at Weald and Downland Museum** (PR6659)

A selection of photographs by local author and amateur photographer David Johnston will go on display at the Weald and Downland Museum in July 2014

01/07/14 - **Ensure barbeques are out cold before binning them** (PR6660)

People are being encouraged to take care to ensure their disposable barbeques and coals are completely cool before throwing them away

01/07/14 - **Residents urged to plan ahead as strike approaches** (PR6661)

Residents of West Sussex are being warned that schools and services may be forced to close, or partially close, when members of Unison, Unite, GMB, Fire Brigades Union and National Union of Teachers take industrial action on 10 July 2014

02/07/14 - **Social Enterprise Fund re-opens in West Sussex** (PR6662)

Applications for grants from the County Council's Social Enterprise Fund have opened for this year

02/07/14 - **New safeguarding website launched in West Sussex for parents and professionals** (PR6663)

The West Sussex Safeguarding Children Board has launched a brand new website

02/07/14 - **Smaller management structure for WSCC approved by councillors** (PR6664)

A smaller management team to lead the County Council into the future has been approved by councillors

02/07/14 - **Still time to give your views on 20mph speed limit for Worthing** (PR6665)

There are still four weeks left for Worthing to have its say on whether a 20mph speed limit for residential streets in the town should be investigated further

02/07/14 - **Horsham Car Club opening for business** (PR6666)

A new community car club will soon be making an appearance on streets around Horsham

02/07/14 - **Do you know somebody who is caring for another person's child?** (PR6667)

Are you looking after somebody else's child? Perhaps you know someone who is

03/07/14 - **Recycling tips for summer trips** (PR6668)

The school holidays are almost upon us – and whatever your plans, home or away, you can still make a difference to your environment

03/07/14 - **County Council reassure residents about roundabout cuts** (PR6669)

The County Council is making a fresh effort to mow roundabouts across the county in the next few weeks

04/07/14 - **Giving young people a future – find out about fostering in Burgess Hill** (PR6671)

If you've ever thought about fostering, now's your chance to find out more

For further information on or copies of the press releases listed please contact Eleanor Frost in the Communications Unit on (033022 22509) or ✉ eleanor.frost

Planning Applications registered in the week ending 04/07/14

COUNTY MATTER MINERALS AND WASTE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications submitted under the Town & Country Planning
(Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010

Application No Applicant Grid Ref	Proposal/Location	Date Registered	Provisional Decision Method	Local Member
WSCC/039/14/LR Mr Denis Nicholls GR: 536174 123211	Retention of the on-going waste uses which include the processing, recycling and storage of top soil, hardcore and the storage of road plannings. At Eastlands, Lewes Road, Scaynes Hill, West Sussex, RH17 7NB	03/07/14	Delegated	Mrs Field
WSCC/041/14/HO Mr Patrick McGahan GR: 536093 129264	Reinforcement engineering works of former quarry through the importation of inert waste material. At Sheriff House, Hammingden Lane, Highbrook, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 6SR	03/07/14	Delegated	Mrs Field
WSCC/042/14/PS Crouchland Biogas Ltd GR: 501168 129699	Proposed upgrade of an existing anaerobic digester facility to enable the export of biomethane to the national gas grid, installation of a new digestion tank, two new CHP engines, digestate lagoon and associated infrastructure. At Crouchland Farm, Rickmans Lane, Plaistow, Billingshurst, West Sussex, RH14 0LE	04/07/14	Delegated	Mrs Duncton

COUNTY COUNCIL PROPOSALS (REGULATION 3, 4 and 13)

Applications submitted under the Town & Country Planning
(Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010

Application No Applicant Grid Ref	Proposal/Location	Date Registered	Provisional Decision Method	Local Member
WSCC/040/14/SU Director of Communities Commissioning GR: 522239 105806	The erection of a single-storey, temporary modular classroom unit for a period of two years. At St Nicolas & St Mary CofE Primary School, Eastern Avenue, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 6PE	03/07/14	Delegated	Mr Metcalfe

Application No Applicant Grid Ref	Proposal/Location	Date Registered	Provisional Decision Method	Local Member
WSCC/043/14/WB Director of Communities Commissioning GR: 513473 104376	Amendment to Condition 6 of WSCC/066/12/WB (extensions & alterations to existing school) to delay requirement for an alternative pedestrian access until 860 pupils in attendance. At Thomas A Becket Middle School, Glebeside Avenue, Worthing, West Sussex, BH14 7PR	01/07/14	Delegated	Mr Smytherman

Comments on any of the above planning applications should be made by 30/07/14 to planning.applications@westsussex.gov.uk or if you require further information, please contact County Planning on (01243) 642118

STRATEGIC PLANNING BUSINESS UNIT - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The attached report (pdf file) contains all the planning applications received by the County Highways Team from the seven borough and district councils over the past week where comments on highways, ecology, landscaping and archaeology have been requested. An Excel spreadsheet of this report is also available on request via the following email address: SU.Local.Development@westsussex.gov.uk. If you have any further questions or would like to enquire about an application that does not appear on the list or one on which you would like to be updated, please contact Alex Jack on (033022) 25212.

Proposals for Traffic Regulation Orders and Traffic Management Matters

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

Location	Proposal	County Local Committee	Provisional Decision Method	Local Member(s)
Wroxham Way, Felpham	To make the Order as advertised to extend the existing school keep clear makings and introduce a no stopping or waiting at any time restriction.	Western Arun	Delegated	Mr G L Jones

Comments on the above proposal should be made by 23/07/14 to tro.team@westsussex.gov.uk or if you require further information, please contact Mike Thomas on 033022 26341

For further information about the Members' Information Service
please contact Clare Jones on 033022 22526 or ✉ clare.jones