

If you would like to know more about any items in this newsletter please contact the officer shown (✉ address is the name shown with a stop between followed by @westsussex.gov.uk) or access the links via the [County Council's website](#). Significant decisions to be taken in the next four months are included in a [Forward Plan](#) of key decisions. If you would like to receive free [e-mail alerts](#) for the Forward Plan, please register via the [County Council's website](#).

## 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
14/06/19	Chief Fire Officer	OKD7(19/20)	<a href="#">Arrangements for Fire Service Fleet Management provision from July 2020</a>	Erica Keegan 033 022 26050
20/06/19	Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	FR4(19/20)	<a href="#">Property Review: Disposal Oriel Lodge</a>	Suzannah Hill 033 022 22551

## Decisions Confirmed

The following decisions have been confirmed in the last week

Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
Cabinet Member for Environment	ENV3(19/20)	<a href="#">Plastics Action Plan for West Sussex County Council</a>	Judith Shore 033 022 26052
Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	FR3(19/20)	<a href="#">Review of Property Holdings: Lease Arrangements Unit 2 Martlets, Burgess Hill</a>	Suzannah Hill 033 022 22551
Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger Communities	SSC1(19/20) SSC2(19/20)	<a href="#">Worthing Community Hub</a> <a href="#">Allocation of the Community Initiative Fund</a>	Erica Keegan 033 022 26050

## Committee News - Committee Meetings

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### [Children and Young People's Services Select Committee \(19 June\)](#)



**Natalie Jones-Punch**  
(033 022 25098)

#### **All**            4            **Forward Plan of Key Decisions – 3 June 2019**

An extract from any Forward Plan published between the date of despatch of the agenda and the date of the meeting will be tabled at the meeting. The Committee will be asked to consider whether it wishes to enquire into any of the forthcoming decisions within its portfolio.

#### **All**            5            **Ofsted Inspection of Children's Social Care: Implications for Scrutiny**

The Committee is asked to reflect upon the findings of the Ofsted Inspection that "oversight, scrutiny and challenge from corporate leaders, including the children's select committee and the corporate parenting panel, have not been sufficiently rigorous" and to identify any specific changes required to ensure a more robust approach to the scrutiny of Children's Social Care going forward.

#### **All**            6            **Children First Practice Improvement Plan**

The County Council's Children's Services were the subject of an inspection by Ofsted in late February/early March 2019. The report detailing the inspection outcome was published on 8 May 2019 with the inspectors finding the overall effectiveness of Children's Services to be 'inadequate'. In response, an Improvement Plan is being developed to address the findings of the report and set out how the County Council will implement the necessary measures to deliver improvement within Children's Services. The Committee will be asked to note the process for the production and delivery of the Children First Practice Improvement Plan, the progress to date and the further actions in hand, and to consider how it proposes to discharge its scrutiny function in relation to the delivery of the Plan.

#### **All**            7            **Local Safeguarding Children Partnership**

Following legislative reform, a new local safeguarding arrangement for West Sussex will replace the existing West Sussex Safeguarding Children's Board. This partnership will be driven by three partners; health, police and the local authority, with the County Council no longer being the lead safeguarding agency. This bespoke local arrangement will respond to local need which collectively engages with children, young people and their families. The Committee will be asked to note the changes to multi-agency arrangements to safeguard children in local authority areas, and to comment on whether further scrutiny of the new arrangements is required.

#### **All**            8            **Business Planning Group Appointments**

The Committee will be asked to appoint five members to the Business Planning Group (BPG), including the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee, one other conservative member, and two minority members. The previous members of the BPG were Mr Cloake (Chairman), Mr High (Vice-Chairman), Mrs Mullins, Mrs Hall and Ms Lord. Mrs Mullins is no longer on the Committee.

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**All**                    9                    **Possible Items for Future Scrutiny**

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. If any member puts forward such an item, the Committee's role at the meeting is just to assess, briefly, whether to refer the matter to its Business Planning Group to consider in detail.

**All**                    10                    **Requests for Call-In**

The Children and Young People's Services Business Planning Group (BPG) received a request to call-in the proposed decision by the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People concerning the Relinquishment of the Beechfield Secure Unit (CYP1(19/20) refers – decision published on 22 May 2019. The BPG declined the request.

**All**                    11                    **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 11 September 2019 at 10.30 am at County Hall, Chichester. Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by 30 August 2019.

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**[Environment, Communities and Fire](#)**  
**Select Committee (20 June)**



**Sally Manning**  
(033 022 23883)

**All**                    4                    **Responses to Recommendations**

The Committee will be asked to note the responses to recommendations made at the 9 May 2019 meeting from the Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger Communities, the Leader, the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure, the Cabinet Member for Environment and the Chief Executive.

**All**                    5                    **Framework for Considering Requests for Events on West Sussex Highways**

The Committee will be asked to consider whether the proposed protocol enables events to happen in a beneficial way, whether it covers the issues sufficiently, has the right objectives and principles and otherwise addresses concerns arising from recent experience.

**All**                    6                    **Highways, Transport and Planning Service Area Review and Highway Maintenance Infrastructure Plan**

The Committee will be asked to scrutinise the proposed Highway Maintenance Plan.

**All**                    7                    **A259 Littlehampton Corridor Improvements**

The Committee will be asked to preview the Cabinet Member's proposed decision, and to consider the measures undertaken to improve the accuracy of budgeting for future schemes.

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**All**            8            **Street Lighting LED Conversion Programme and Central Monitoring Programme**

Members will be asked to consider the implementation of the Street Lighting LED conversion programme, the associated ongoing cost saving and the future proofing and flexibility of installing a central monitoring system.

**All**            9            **2018/19 Fire and Rescue Service Performance Review and Annual Report**

The Committee will be asked to consider the performance of the Fire and Rescue Service.

**All**            10          **Requests for Call-in**

There have been no requests for call-in to the Select Committee and within its constitutional remit since the date of the last meeting. The Director of Law and Assurance will report any requests since the publication of the agenda papers.

**All**            11          **Forward Plan of Key Decisions**

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**All**            13          **Date of Next Meeting**

An additional meeting of the Committee will be held on 10 July 2019 at 10.30am at County Hall, Chichester. The meeting will scrutinise the Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary, Fire and Rescue Services' inspection report and Review of the Integrated Risk Management Plan Action Plans. Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by 28 June 2019.

## Weekly News

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<b>All</b>	1	<a href="#"><u>Forward Plan of Key Decisions</u></a>	✉ <b>Helena Cox</b> (033 022 22533)
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The County Council is required to provide a minimum of 28 days' notice for all key decisions. Key decisions are those which involve expenditure or savings of £500,000 or more or which will have a significant effect on communities in

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two or more electoral divisions. The Forward Plan, which is updated on a rolling basis, 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. The current Forward Plan was published on 11 June 2019. Since the last edition of the Members' Information Service changes to the Plan have been made to:

- add a new decision to the A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place priority - Procurement Process for Housing Related Support Contracts (July); and
- Add a new decision to the Independence in Later Life priority - Development of an Extra Care Housing Scheme in East Grinstead (July).

## Communications

### County Council Press Releases up to 7 June

03/06/19 - [Ageing pedestrian crossing replaced with latest technology](#)

Essential work to replace ageing pedestrian crossing equipment with the latest technology is due to start on a main route into Chichester city centre on 17 June

04/06/19 - [Join us and take action now to reduce the impact of climate change](#)

Major new campaign calls on all West Sussex residents to make small changes to make a big environmental difference

04/06/19 - [D-Day 75: West Sussex people played their role](#)

West Sussex Record Office is marking 75 years since the D-Day landings

04/06/19 - [Rare Sussex Declaration displayed during US Presidential State Visit to UK](#)

Historic document from the Record Office will be viewed by President Trump at Downing Street

05/06/19 - [It's time to slow down!](#)

West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service is urging residents to cut their speed as part of speeding prevention month

06/06/19 - ["You never know where volunteering will take you!"](#)

Residents are being reminded of the wide range of volunteering opportunities available with the County Council

07/06/19 - [County Council calls for the Government to make climate science an integral part of the National Curriculum](#)

Leader Louise Goldsmith has written to Schools Minister Nick Gibb after meeting pupils to discuss environmental issues

07/06/19 - [Dangerous skin lightening creams seized at Gatwick Airport](#)

More than a tonne of potentially carcinogenic cosmetics, including skin lightening creams, were seized at Gatwick Airport.

**For further information on or copies of the press releases listed please contact the Communications and Engagement Team on (033 022 28090) or ✉ [pressoffice@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:pressoffice@westsussex.gov.uk)**

## Planning Applications registered in the week ending 07/06/19

### Submitted under Town & Country Planning (Development Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Application Number	Applicant	Proposal and Location	Decision Method	Member
<b>County Matter Waste</b>				
<a href="#">WSCC/040/19</a>	Restoration to Agriculture Limited	Variation of conditions of planning permission WSCC/029/16/RW for an extension in time to complete infill and restoration and alterations to the approved scheme  Rudgwick Brickworks, Lynwick Street, Rudgwick, RH12 3DH  Grid reference: 508329 134369	Delegated	Mr Mitchell

**Comments on the above planning application should be made by 03/07/19 to [planning.applications@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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 Steven Shaw on 033 022 24674.

For further information about the Members' Information Service please contact Clare Jones on 033 022 22526 or ✉ [clare.jones](mailto:clare.jones)