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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
13/01/16	South Chichester County Local Committee	SC9(15/16) SC10(15/16)	Community Initiative Funding Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies	Paul Matthews 033022 25409
14/01/15	Joint Western Arun Area Committee	WA7(15/16) WA8(15/16) WA9(15/16)	Community Initiative Funding Site 6 Developer Contributions - Comet Corner, Middleton-on-Sea Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies	Monique Smart 033022 22540
18/01/16	Cabinet Member for Children – Start of Life	CH8(15/16)	Extension of a service and funding agreement between West Sussex County Council and Sussex Partnership Foundation Trust for the provision of a Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service	Laura Johnston 033022 22536

Decisions Confirmed

The following decisions have been confirmed in the last week

Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	HT13(15/16) HT14(15/16)	Subsidised Verge Marker Scheme Traffic Regulations Orders – Assessment and Implementation Process	Matthew Evans 033022 22538

Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport (cont)	HT15(15/16)	Highways and Transport Integrated Works Programme 2016/17	Matthew Evans 033022 22538
Leader	LDR16(15/16)	Total Performance Monitor – end of October 2015	Rosemary Pugh 033022 22548

Committee News - Committee Meetings

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[Pensions Panel](#) (18 January)

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Adam Chisnall
(033022 28314)

The following item, containing exempt information under Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated, will be dealt with in the absence of the public and the press

All 7 **LGPS Pooling**

The Panel will be asked to consider an update on the progress of pooling discussions to date which highlights key issues. The Panel will be asked to note the progress made by officers on the pooling proposal and support the further work required for a submission by the February deadline.

[Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee](#) (20 January)

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Rob Castle
(033022 22546)

All 5 **Responses to Recommendations**

The Committee will be asked to note the responses to recommendations made at the 4 December 2015 meeting from:

- (i) South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust
- (ii) Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust – has indicated that it agrees to the Committee's requests:
 - (a) To be informed of the results of future Care Quality Commission inspections
 - (b) For visits to be arranged for the Committee to Langley Green Hospital, Crawley and Chalkhill, Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath

All 6 **Forward Plan of Key Decisions – February to May 2016**

An updated summary will be tabled at the meeting and made available on the Internet if a subsequent edition of the Forward Plan is published between the date of dispatch of the agenda and the date of the meeting. The Committee

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will be asked to identify any decisions to be previewed by it considering new entries from the latest extract of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions published since the its last meeting.

All 7 **Strengthening Primary Care Services in West Sussex**

The Committee will be asked to consider a report by NHS England, Coastal West Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group (CWS), Horsham and Mid Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group, Crawley Clinical Commissioning Group and Health Education Kent, Surrey and Sussex which identifies the challenges facing primary care services and outlines steps being taken to address them. The Committee will be asked to:

- (i) Support the ways in which sustainable local GP services in West Sussex are being developed;
- (ii) Consider any implications for the whole health and social care system; and
- (iii) Identify any issues requiring further scrutiny, including subjects for consideration as part of the Committee's scrutiny of the care market and workforce issues later in the year.

All 8 **Healthwatch West Sussex Discharge Report**

The Committee will be asked to consider a report which aims to explore in more detail patients' and carers' experiences of being discharged from hospital, including the steps taken beforehand, and what happened afterwards. The Committee will be asked to:

- (i) Consider whether it wishes to add to Healthwatch's recommendations and that these be shared with West Sussex acute hospital trusts, clinical commissioning groups and Adult Social Care; and
- (ii) Decide whether any aspects of Healthwatch's report require any further scrutiny by the Committee.

All 9 **Medium Term Financial Strategy 2016/17 to 2019/20 including Revenue Budget 2016/17 to 2017/18 and Capital Programme 2016/17 to beyond 2020/21**

The Committee will be asked to:

- (i) Note a verbal update on the Government announcement relating to the Public Health Grant 2016/17, if available;
- (ii) Consider comments arising from the Children and Young People's Services Select Committee meeting on 14 January and consider and agree any additional comments for referral to the Performance and Finance Select Committee when it considers the Draft Budget on 21 January 2016; and
- (iii) Agree any comments or issues it wishes the Cabinet to take into account when it considers the Draft Budget and Savings Proposals for 2016/17 on 2 February 2016.

All 10 **Business Planning Group Report**

The Committee will be asked to consider the report of the Business Planning Group meeting held on 8 December 2015, setting out the key issues discussed. The Committee will be asked to endorse the contents of the report, and

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particularly the Committee's Work Programme revised to reflect the Business Planning Group's discussions.

All 11 **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. The Director of Law Assurance and Strategy will report any requests since the publication of the agenda papers.

All 12 **Possible items for Future Scrutiny**

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

All 13 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled to take place on 10 March at 10.30 a.m. at County Hall, Chichester. Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for this must notify the Director of Law Assurance and Strategy by 24 February 2016.

[Performance and Finance Select Committee](#) (21 January)



Adam Chisnall
(033022 28314)

All 5 **Refreshing the Future West Sussex Plan 2015 to 2019**

The Committee will be asked to review and support the changes proposed to the Future West Sussex Plan and notify any amendments required.

All 6 **Medium Term Financial Strategy 2016/17 to 2019/20 including Revenue Budget 2016/17 to 2017/18 and Capital Programme 2016/17 to beyond 2020/21**

The Committee will be asked to:

- (a) Endorse the County Council Draft Budget and Savings Proposals for 2016/17, including the specific portfolio areas for which the Committee has responsibility for;
- (b) Consider any strategic issues referred by the Service Select Committees; and
- (c) Agree any comments or issues it wishes the Cabinet to take into account when it considers the Draft Budget and Savings Proposals for 2016/17 on 2 February 2016.

All 7 **Total Performance Monitor**

The Committee will be asked to examine the data and supporting commentary for the November 2015 Total Performance Monitor and make any relevant recommendations for action to the Cabinet Member or a relevant Select Committee.

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All 8 **Treasury Management Strategy 2016/17**

The Committee will be asked to review and consider the recommendations in the report.

All 9 **Business Planning Group Report**

The Committee will be asked to note the up-date from the Business Planning Group meeting which took place virtually in December and support the changes to the work programme of the Committee.

All 10 **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. The Director of Law, Assurance and Strategy will report any requests received since the publication of the agenda papers.

All 11 **Forward Plan of Key Decisions – February to May 2016**

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 invited to consider whether it wishes to enquire into any of the forthcoming decisions within its portfolios.

All 12 **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.

All 13 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next scheduled formal meeting of the Committee will be held on 25 February 2016 at 10.30 a.m. at County Hall, Chichester. Probable agenda items include:

- IT Design and Investment
- Merston Solar Farm
- Total Performance Monitor
- Call-in wording

Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for that meeting must notify the Director of Law, Assurance and Strategy by 15 February 2016.

The following item, containing exempt information under Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated, will be dealt with in the absence of the public and the press

All 15 **PropCo Business Case**

The Committee will be asked to review and consider the recommendations in the report.

Exempt: paragraph 3, financial or business affairs of any person (including the authority).

Committee Decisions

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		<u>Environmental and Community Services Select Committee (13 January)</u>	Lisa Etchell (033022 23597)

All 6 Call-in – Subsidised Verge Marker Scheme – HT13(15/16) Decision

The Select Committee at its meeting on 13 January 2016 considered the call in of the proposed decision by the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport concerning the Subsidised Verge Marker Scheme – decision published on the Executive Database on 22 December 2015 and in the Members' Information Service on 5 January 2016 (HT13 (15/16) refers). The call-in was initiated by Mr Lamb with the support of Mrs Mullins, Mr M Jones, Mr Oxlade, Mr Quinn, and Mrs Smith.

The Committee considered all the information and resolved following:

- (1) That the Committee supports the decision; and
- (2) That the Committee requests that the Cabinet Member comes back to the Committee following completion of the trial Road Space Audit in Chichester, for the Committee to inform the development of future policy towards verge parking.

The members present at the meeting were as follows:

Mr Barrett-Miles, Mrs Brunsdon, Mr Circus, Dr Dennis, Mr G L Jones, Mr M G Jones, Mr S J Oakley, Mrs Phillips, Mr J L Rogers, Mr Tyler (Chairman) and Mr Whittington.

Weekly News

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All	1	New contract awarded for Alcohol and Drugs Service	Holly Yandall (033022 28683)

The new contract for West Sussex Health, Wellbeing and Recovery Service for people who use alcohol and other drugs has been awarded to CRI, a national health and social care charity. The contract, which was awarded following a full tendering process, will start on 10 May 2016. CRI will be working across West Sussex and subcontracting with local partners - Emerging Futures, EXACT, Lloyds Pharmacy, Kamsons (pharmacy), Worthing Churches Homeless Project, Southdown Housing, Ravenscourt and St John Ambulance.

The new service, which will be re-branded ahead of the launch, will provide support to children, young people and adults of any age who use alcohol and/or drugs, as well as those affected by someone else's alcohol and/or drug

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use. Until 10 May 2016, services will continue to be provided by existing service providers from existing premises in West Sussex. The County Council will work closely with CRI and the existing providers to ensure service continuity and stability. The new contract has been awarded for five years with the option to extend for up to a further two years. For more information contact Holly Yandall, Public Health Lead for Substance Misuse – Health Lifestyles Team, Public Health.

Other Matters



All	2	Forward Plan – February to May 2016	Charles Gauntlett (033022 22524)
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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. An amended version of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions, for February to May 2016, has been published in order to include the following new decisions:

- Review of Fees and Charges: Commissioned Services in the Adult Social Care and Health portfolio
- Changes to Special School Funding in the Education and Skills portfolio
- Approval of the Future West Sussex Plan, Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2016/17 in the Cabinet portfolio

Communications

County Council Press Releases up to 8 January

31/12/15 - [Wider shared cycleway for Bersted in the New Year](#)

Existing footpath on the southern side of Rowan Way widened to accommodate cyclists and pedestrians

04/01/16 - [You could change someone's life in 2016 through foster care](#)

Information evening to be held in Horsham for potential carers to vulnerable children

04/01/16 - [Don't leave it too late to apply for your child's school place](#)

Parents with children born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012 must apply for a school place before Friday 15 January

04/01/16 - [Have your say on proposals for schools in the Storrington area](#)

A consultation has been launched and a series of public meetings will be held

05/01/16 - [Meet the Spaniel named after Daniel, thanks to one local Library Assistant's story-time sessions](#)

Robots, aliens and a dog called Dan. How a Senior Library Assistant in Lancing inspired one West Sussex boy...

05/01/16 - [Public consultation for A259 improvements starts](#)

Residents invited to give opinions on dual carriageway proposals from January 11 to February 19

05/01/16 - [First Annual Highways Performance Report released](#)

Report looks back at 2014/15 in an easy-to-read format

06/01/16 - [Funding available for East Crawley causes](#)

Grants for good causes that will benefit the local community available

07/01/16 - [Boost for West Sussex economy as plans unveiled for pioneering business park](#)

A pioneering project has been unveiled today to transform the former Novartis site in Horsham into a new science park that will host leading firms, in a landmark deal for the county

07/01/16 - [Could you start a business for your community?](#)

Workshops are being held throughout February and March in Crawley, Horsham and Worthing to explain how to set up a social enterprise

08/01/16 - [West Sussex County Council protects critical frontline services](#)

Plans to safeguard critical frontline services have been unveiled by the County Council despite facing a £44.5m shortfall in funding next year

08/01/16 - [Interested in becoming a retained firefighter in Mid Sussex? Then come and have a go!](#)

A 'have a go day', held at East Grinstead Fire Station on Saturday, 16 January, will give people in Mid Sussex the opportunity to discover what a career as a retained firefighter can offer them

08/01/16 - [Final stage of parking consultation for Three Bridges and Pound Hill begins](#)

It runs from Wednesday, 13 January to Wednesday, 3 February

For further information on or copies of the press releases listed please contact Philippa Eld in the Communications Unit on (033022 22418) or ✉ philippa.eld

Planning Applications registered in the week ending 08/01/16

There were no planning applications registered.

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 Dominic Smith on 033022 25711.

Public Rights of Way - Notification of Application for Change to the Path Network Received

The following consultation on a Horsham District Council proposal to change the path network is receiving attention. Members may obtain further information by contacting the case officer. Comments on the proposal should be made by 4 February 2016. If substantive objections are raised by members the consultation will be referred to the Rights of Way Committee for determination.

Parish/ path number	Proposal	Site Location	Case Officer	Local Member
Southwater footpath 1655	Consultation on Horsham District Council proposal to stop up part of footpath under S257 of Town and Country Planning Act to allow construction of a residential development. A new bridleway following the access ways is to be provided to link the development to Worthing Rd. A holding objection to the District Council's Order has been entered pending consideration of the proposal.	Residential development land west of Worthing Road, Southwater	Jonathan Perks 03302 226703	Mr Watson

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