

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
20/01/16	North Chichester County Local Committee	NC6(15/16) NC7(15/16)	Community Initiative Funding Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies	Paul Matthews 033022 25409
21/01/16	North Mid Sussex County Local Committee	NMS7(15/16)	Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies	Rachel Allan 033022 28966
22/01/16	Cabinet Member for Finance	FIN13(15/16)	Members' Big Society Fund – Funding Allocations	Rosemary Pugh 033022 22526
25/01/16	Cabinet Member for Education and Skills	ES7(15/16) ES8(15/16)	Appointments to an Outside Body – Aspire Sussex Limited Catering arrangements for Special Schools	Laura Johnston 033022 22536
26/01/15	Cabinet Member for Finance	FIN14(15/16)	West Sussex County Council response to the Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement 2016/17 and after	Rosemary Pugh 033022 22526
27/01/16	Cabinet Member for Children – Start of Life	CH9(15/16)	West Sussex Partnership Families Strategic Plan 2020	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 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
Cabinet Member for Corporate Relations	CR7(15/16)	Procurement for the provision of Stationery and Office Equipment	Rosemary Pugh 033022 22526
Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	HT17(15/16) HT18(15/16)	Public Engagement and Consultation on the Future of the 3in1 Card Young Persons Travel Scheme Highways and Transport Traffic Signals Maintenance Contract – Approval to Procure a Term Contract	Matthew Evans 033022 22538
Cabinet Member for Residents' Services	RS8(15/16)	Review of Community Highway Volunteers Scheme	Tracey Guinea 033022 28679
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
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

Committee News - Committee Meetings

Electoral Division	Item	Subject	Committee Officer
--------------------	------	---------	-------------------

[Governance Committee](#) (25 January)

✉
Clare Jones
(033022 22526)

All 5 **Changes to Corporate Leadership**

The Committee will be asked to endorse a proposal that the post of Chief Operating Officer, which encompassed that of Transformation Director, be deleted and that the post of Chief Executive Officer be re-instated for recommendation to the County Council. The Corporate Leadership Team will otherwise be unchanged from that the Committee approved in September 2014 but there are some additional adjustments to accommodate the redistribution of operational roles currently reporting to the Chief Operating Officer which the Committee will be asked to approve.

Electoral Division	Item	Subject	Committee Officer
---------------------------	-------------	----------------	--------------------------

All 6 **Electoral Review of West Sussex**

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has now published its draft recommendations on new electoral arrangements for the County Council. The draft recommendations propose that 70 county councillors should be elected to West Sussex County Council in future, one fewer than the current arrangements. This is based on taking one seat out of Adur and all other district areas retaining the same number of county councillors. The recommendations also propose new electoral divisions across the county. The Committee will be asked to consider a report from the Electoral Review Panel which sets out the County Council's proposed response to the Commission.

All 7 **Update on the work of the Independent Remuneration Panel**

The Committee will be invited to note that the Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) met on 7 January 2016 to begin its work of reviewing the Members' Allowance Scheme. It has considered the work undertaken by the IRP in 2008-10 and spoken to the Chairman, the Leader and the UKIP Group Leader about their views on the current scheme and any review. Following this, the IRP set out an initial plan of action, which will focus on a paper consulting all members around March 2016. It is hoped that the consultation will be included as part of the wider member survey planned by the Member Development Group.

All 8 **Council Procedures – Written Questions and Cabinet Member Question Time**

At its last meeting, the Committee asked for work to be done on two aspects of procedures at County Council meetings. A survey has been undertaken on written questions in line with the Committee's wishes and the Committee will be asked to consider the results. A proposed amendment to Standing Orders has also been prepared to clarify the Cabinet Member Question Time process around reporting on major topics considered by Select Committees.

All 9 **Distribution of Summons and Agendas**

Following recent changes in legislation, the Committee will be asked to endorse changes to Standing Orders for recommendation to the County Council to allow members to choose how they receive summons and agendas in future. The options are for members to continue to receive all papers in hard copy at their home address, collect hard copies from County Hall or receive agendas by email only to their County Council email address.

All 10 **Pay Policy Statement 2016/17**

The Localism Act requires the County Council to produce a Pay Policy Statement which has to be approved by the full Council. The Committee will be asked to endorse amendments required to the statement for recommendation for adoption and approval by full the Council at its meeting on 19 February 2016.

All 11 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held at 2.15 p.m. on Monday, 14 March 2016.

The following items, 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 12 **Pay, Reward and Recognition Project**

The Committee will be asked to note progress to date on the Pay, Reward and Recognition Project and that formal

Electoral Division	Item	Subject	Committee Officer
---------------------------	-------------	----------------	--------------------------

proposals for change will be submitted to the Governance Committee in late autumn 2016 for approval.

Exempt: paragraph 4, Information relating to labour relations consultation

All 13 **Pooling of Fund Investment**

The Committee will be asked to note an update on the work of the Pensions Panel Task and Finish Group which is considering the Government's proposals to require all Local Government Pension Scheme Funds to pool assets.

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



Chichester County Local Committee (15 March)

Paul Matthews
(033022 25409)

Please note that, in consultation with the Chairman, the meeting of the South Chichester County Local Committee due to be held on Tuesday, 15 March 2016 has been cancelled and a meeting will instead be held at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 22 March 2016.



Sussex Police and Crime Panel (7 October)

Matthew Evans
(033022 22538)

Please note that, in consultation with the Chairman, the meeting of the Sussex Police and Crime Panel due to be held on Friday, 7 October 2016 has been cancelled and a meeting will instead be held at 10.30 a.m. on Friday, 23 September 2016.

Weekly News

Electoral Division	No.	Subject	Officer Contact
---------------------------	------------	----------------	------------------------

Finance



All 1 **Pension Fund - Votes against Remuneration Packages**

Gemma Macias
(033022 23365)

The list of the companies where the fund managers have voted against remuneration packages and other aspects for the fourth quarter of 2015 is as follows:

UBS

Associated British Foods plc

Baillie Gifford

Praxair Inc

Communications

County Council Press Releases up to 15 January

11/01/16 - ['Fibre' broadband is now one of grocer's five-a-day](#)

55,000 more West Sussex homes and businesses have access to faster broadband thanks to multi-million pound partnership

11/01/16 - [Are you ignoring the unsung hero in your home?](#)

New national smoke alarm-testing campaign launched today which firefighters hope will change the way we feel about the 'unsung heroes' in our home and help save lives

12/01/16 - [Montague Place regeneration is underway](#)

Modern new bandstand to replace old rotunda as part of £1.2m improvement scheme

12/01/16 - [The ramblings of a prize winning poet come to Worthing Library](#)

Jonathan Bryant will be reading from his published works on Tuesday, 2 February

13/01/16 - [Are you right for a career in care?](#)

Two recruitment fairs, in Selsey and Midhurst, are being held for potential carers

14/01/16 - [County Council asks for longer consultation over A27 Chichester options](#)

Letter written to Highways England asking for public consultation period to be extended from six to 12 weeks

14/01/16 - [Drop-in business information session in Worthing](#)

Staff from West Sussex Libraries' Business Information Service will be offering advice for new/expanding businesses on 1 February

15/01/16 - [Cold weather alert issued for West Sussex](#)

Gritters ready for action across the county and advice for the very old, very young, or those with chronic diseases

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 15/01/16

There were no 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.

Proposals for Traffic Regulation Orders and Traffic Management Matters

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

Location	Proposal	County Local Committee/ Officer	Provisional Decision Method	Local Member
Haywards Heath - Colwell Road	Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders	Central Mid Sussex Neil Smith 033022 25579	Delegated	Mr Wickremaratchi

Comments on any of the above proposals should be made by 03/02/16 to tro.team@westsussex.gov.uk or if you require further information, please contact the officer shown

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