

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
27/07/16	Leader	LDR9(16/17)	<a href="#">Energy Strategy and Action Plan</a>	Monique Smart 033022 22540
28/07/16	Cabinet Member for Residents' Services	RS8(16/17)	<a href="#">Changes to the Services, Opening Hours and Charges at Household Waste and Recycling Sites and the introduction of two Enforcement Officers to tackle Fly-Tipping</a>	Tracey Guinea 033022 28679

## 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	CH3(16/17)	<a href="#">Ofsted Improvement Plan 2016/17</a>	Suzanne T Thompson 033022 22551
Cabinet Member for Corporate Relations	CR1(16/17)	<a href="#">IT Strategy</a>	Rosemary Pugh 033022 22548

## Committee News - Committee Meetings

Electoral Division	Item	Subject	Committee Officer
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### [Pensions Panel](#) (27 July)



**Adam Chisnall**  
(033022 28314)

**All**            4            **Annual Report**

The Panel will be asked to consider the draft Annual Report and Accounts which include the Custodian Review, Trade Cost Analysis, Custodian Monitoring Report and Stock Lending Report.

**All**            5            **Funding Strategy Statement and Valuation 2016**

The Committee will be asked to consider and update by Hymans Robertson on the valuation work.

**All**            6            **Date of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Panel will be 10.30 a.m. on 4 November 2016 at County Hall, Chichester.

**The following items, containing exempt information under Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 under paragraph 3, Financial or business affairs of any person (including the authority), will be dealt with in the absence of the public and the press**

**All**            8            **Pension Administration Performance**

The Panel will receive an update by the Director of Finance and Capita.

**All**            9            **Pension Fund Pooling Initiative update**

The Panel will receive an update.

**All**            10          **Property Portfolio**

The Panel will be asked to consider the Property Portfolio.

**All**            11          **Adviser Review**

The Panel will be asked to consider a summary of the transactions and performance during the quarter. The Fund Adviser will retrospectively review the performance of UBS and others during the last quarter, assess risk and review compliance.

**All**            12          **UBS: Investment Activity, Performance and Future Investment Policy**

The Panel will be asked to consider the UBS investment activity which will include a short note on permitting UBS to undertake sub-underwriting.

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## Weekly News

Electoral Division	No.	Subject	Officer Contact
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### Education and Skills

<b>All</b>	1	<b>Downlands Community Secondary School: Sketch Plan Panel</b>	 <b>Tim Crabb</b> (033022 23037)
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On 8 July 2016 a Sketch Plan Panel, chaired by the Cabinet Member for Finance on behalf of the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills who is currently unwell, considered and endorsed the design proposals for building works at Downlands Community Secondary School, Hassocks as follows:

The accommodation to be provided comprises:

#### **Downlands Community Secondary School**

##### **Extensions and Adaptations to provide for eight forms of entry (1,200 pupils)**

- Demolition of Existing ROSLA block (temporary building)
- New three-storey building comprising 10 classrooms, ICT hub, music practice rooms, ensemble room, control room, recital room, general classroom for music, office toilets and storage
- New-build dance studio and lobby
- Two new-build changing rooms
- Adaptations and extensions to the existing main building to provide improved circulation, enlarge existing undersize classrooms, additional toilets, teacher planning, preparation and assessment space, office and enlarge existing library
- Adaptations and minor extensions to the existing music accommodation to provide sufficient and appropriate accommodation for pupils with special educational needs and an additional science laboratory.

The proposals will now be submitted for detailed planning approval.

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### Finance

<b>All</b>	2	<b>Pension Fund - Votes against Remuneration Packages</b>	 <b>Gemma Macias</b> (033022 23365)
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The list of the companies where the fund managers have voted against remuneration packages and other aspects for the second quarter of 2016 is as follows:

#### **UBS**

BP plc  
 GlaxoSmithKline plc  
 Intu Properties plc  
 Shire plc  
 Tullow Oil plc

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Electoral Division	No.	Subject	Officer Contact
<b>Baillie Gifford</b>			
American Express			
Bureau Veritas			
Deutsche Boerse			
MTN Group			
Nestle			
SAP			
Waters			

## Communications

### County Council Press Releases up to 15 July

08/07/16 - [Firefighters urge people to call time on driving under the influence](#)

Summer-long campaign launched to encourage drivers to make safer decisions when using country roads

11/07/16 - [Focus turns to cricket, tables and allotments in Arundel](#)

Community groups and small local charities are being encouraged to apply for the next round of funding

11/07/16 - [Changes to Household Waste Recycling Sites to be reviewed](#)

Discussions from Friday's meeting to be reviewed and evaluated

11/07/16 - [Gold rush for West Sussex youngsters](#)

This year 85 young people in West Sussex achieved Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards

11/07/16 - [Fire & Rescue Service \(draft\) Community Risk Management Plan](#)

People across West Sussex are invited to have their say on the Fire & Rescue Service's draft Community Risk Management Plan

12/07/16 - [New rain garden is innovative way to solve town flooding](#)

Attractive new feature, opposite the Arun Civic Centre in Maltravers Road, has been installed to soak up surface water during heavy rainfall

12/07/16 - [Exploding e-cigarette sparks fire safety warning](#)

People urged to purchase e-cigarettes from reputable retailers following explosion

12/07/16 - [Traders' illicit tobacco plans go up in smoke](#)

Illicit tobacco seized as part of an ongoing investigation

14/07/16 - [Capture your Beautiful Outdoors!](#)

Prizes on offer for stunning West Sussex shots

14/07/16 - [Celebrating Shakespeare and the chance to win prizes!](#)

Libraries across West Sussex are celebrating 400 years since the death of the world's most celebrated playwright with exciting events and activities, for both ardent fans and new converts, young and old

14/07/16 - [97-year-old woman saved by newly fitted smoke alarm](#)

An elderly lady escaped unhurt yesterday when a smoke detector, fitted by firefighters just the day before, alerted her to a fire in her Midhurst home

**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](mailto:philippa.eld)**

## Planning Applications registered in the week ending 15/07/16

### COUNTY MATTER MINERALS AND WASTE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications submitted under the Town & Country Planning  
(Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Application No Applicant Grid Ref	Proposal/Location	Date Registered	Provisional Decision Method	Local Member
<a href="#">WSCC/036/16/NH</a> Biffa Waste Services Ltd GR: 517237 134874	Planning application for the erection of two carbon vessel systems and associated infrastructure. At Brookhurst Wood Landfill Site, Langhurstwood Road, Warnham, West Sussex, RH12 4QD	15/07/16	Delegated	Mr Catchpole

**Comments on the above planning application should be made by 10/08/16 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 Dominic Smith on 033022 25711.

For further information about the Members' Information Service please contact Clare Jones on 033022 22526 or ✉ [clare.jones](mailto:clare.jones)