

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
28/07/17	Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Highways	IH6(17/18)	<a href="#">Approval of contract for Construction of National Cycle Network Route 2 (Part)</a>	Laura Johnston 033022 22536
28/07/17	Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger Communities	SSC1(17/18)	<a href="#">Approval to commence a procurement to replace both Accessible and Standard Minibuses within the Council's Fleet</a>	Suzanne T Thompson 033022 22551
31/07/17	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	CYP2(17/18)	<a href="#">Appointment to Outside Bodies</a>	Wendy Saunders 033022 22553

## Decisions Confirmed

The following decisions have been confirmed in the last week

Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
Cabinet Member for Environment	ENV1(17/18)	<a href="#">Appointment to Outside Bodies</a>	Laura Johnston 033022 22536
Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	FR3(17/18)	<a href="#">Appointment to Outside Bodies</a>	Rosemary Pugh 033022 22526
Adur County Local Committee	A1(17/18) A2(17/18)	<a href="#">Appointments to Outside Bodies</a> <a href="#">Community Initiative Funding</a>	David Penrose 033022 24612

Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
Adur County Local Committee (cont)	A3(17/18)	<a href="#">Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies</a>	David Penrose 033022 24612
Joint Eastern Arun Area Committee	EA1(17/18) EA2(17/18) EA3(17/18)	<a href="#">Angmering Village Traffic Calming</a> <a href="#">Community Initiative Funding</a> <a href="#">Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies</a>	Monique Smart 033022 22540

## Committee News - Committee Meetings

Electoral Division	Item	Subject	Committee Officer
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### Environmental and Community Services Select Committee (7 September)

✉  
**Lisa Etchell**  
(033022 23597)

Please note that, with the agreement of the Chairman, an additional meeting of the Select Committee will be held at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday, 7 September 2017.

## Weekly News

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### Infrastructure and Highways

<b>All</b>	1	<b>Examination of the West Sussex Joint Minerals Local Plan</b>	✉ <b>Rupy Sandhu</b> (033022 26454)
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On 26 May 2017, the West Sussex Joint Minerals Local Plan (prepared by the County Council and the South Downs National Park Authority) was submitted to the Government. Mr Jonathan Manning, an independent Planning Inspector, has been appointed to conduct an Examination-in-Public (EiP) to determine whether the Plan is 'sound' and 'legally compliant'.

The Planning Inspector has now issued his 'Matters and Issues' and confirmed that the EiP public hearings will begin on **Tuesday, 19 September 2017** and run for two weeks (Tuesdays to Thursdays). The hearings will be held at Edes House, Chichester. A [public examination](#) webpage has been set up that contains further information about the EiP. All relevant documents, including the Matters and Issues and the draft hearing programme, are held in the [Examination Document Library](#). Subject to the outcomes of the EiP, it is anticipated that the Plan will be adopted in May 2018.

If you have any queries relating to the Joint Minerals Local Plan, the examination process, or the public hearings, please contact Rupy Sandhu ([rupy.sandhu@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:rupy.sandhu@westsussex.gov.uk), 033022 26454).

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## Member Support



<b>All</b>	2	<b>The Voice of the Councillor: Final Report 2017</b>	<b>Helen Kenny</b> (033022 22532)
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De Montfort University's Local Governance Research unit and the Municipal Journal have published the final report of the Councillor Commission (see links below). This was a year-long research project which heard from councillors across England about their work and about the pressures they face in governing their communities. The intention of the report is to inform national and local policy debate and local practice so as to strengthen the office of councillor.

### Executive Summary:

<http://www.dmu.ac.uk/documents/business-and-law-documents/2017/the-voice-of-the-councillor-2017-executive-summary.pdf>

### Recommendations:

<http://www.dmu.ac.uk/documents/business-and-law-documents/2017/the-voice-of-the-councillor-2017-recommendations.pdf>

### Full Report:

<http://www.dmu.ac.uk/documents/business-and-law-documents/2017/the-voice-of-the-councillor-2017-final-version-cc-rw.pdf>

## Other Matters



<b>All</b>	3	<b><u><a href="#">Forward Plan – August to November 2017</a></u></b>	<b>Helena Cox</b> (033022 22533)
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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 August to November 2017, has been published in order to:

- Include a new decision in the Leader portfolio - Procurement for the award of contracts to provide Discharge to Assess with Reablement care services (September);
- Include a new decision in the Finance and Resources portfolio - Appointment of a Multi-disciplinary Development Consultant – Property (August);
- Move the Procurement of Fire and Rescue Communications Equipment in the Stronger, Safer Communities portfolio to August as the recommendations continue to be finalised; and
- Move the Refinancing of the Street Lighting Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract decision from the Infrastructure and Highways portfolio to the Finance and Resources portfolio as the focus of the decision is upon financing.

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## Communications

### County Council Press Releases up to 21 July

12/07/17 - [Historic West Sussex Bridge to be refurbished](#)

West Sussex Highways is set to repair one of West Sussex's oldest bridges later this month

14/07/17 - [West Sussex welcomes closer working of police and fire service](#)

Police and fire services will continue to work closely together following a decision about the future of West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service

14/07/17 - [Worth Way set for improvements over summer holidays](#)

A section of Worth Way in Crawley Down will be closed for up to four weeks whilst surface improvement works are carried out

17/07/17 - [Contractor named for major A259 improvement work](#)

The County Council has announced its choice of contractor to design and build major improvements to the A259 north of Littlehampton

17/07/17 - [FireBreak instructors inspire success](#)

The County Council's Targeted Education team has spent five days inspiring young people through the latest FireBreak course

18/07/17 - [Talent shines through at golden ceremony](#)

A special celebration has been held to applaud the select few West Sussex young people awarded The Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award in 2017

18/07/17 - [New West Sussex Care Guide is out now](#)

The guide is full of useful information and advice about adult social care services in West Sussex

18/07/17 - [No working smoke alarms is a recipe for disaster](#)

West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service is reminding residents about the importance of cooking fire safety after smoke alarms across West Sussex were put to the test throughout June

18/07/17 - [Buchan Country Park: Flying the flag as one of the UK's very best green spaces](#)

A County Council-owned country park in Crawley has been recognised by the Green Flag Award Scheme as one of the very best in the world

19/07/17 - [Unemployed young people secure jobs with leading infrastructure company](#)

Four local young people have secured jobs in the construction sector following a new work experience programme provided by Balfour Beatty Living Places, in partnership with the County Council

19/07/17 - [Contemplating quitting? Come and join us for stop smoking support!](#)

Firefighters are teaming up with colleagues from Smokefree West Sussex to offer advice and support to Crawley residents wanting to quit smoking

20/07/17 - [Let call blockers hang up on pest callers so you don't have to](#)

Elderly and vulnerable residents fed up with unwanted phone calls are reminded that technology is available to sift out potential con callers

20/07/17 - [Stronger mental health support for young people](#)

Extra specialist support, early preventative help and innovative new projects are all being used in West Sussex to assist children and young people with emotional wellbeing and mental health issues

21/07/17 - [Pledge against child sexual exploitation gets a new boost](#)

A renewed pledge against child sexual exploitation has been made today (Friday, 21 July) by new and returning county councillors

21/07/17 - [Trading Standards lead criminal investigation after airport 'meet and greet' firm goes bust](#)

West Sussex Trading Standards is leading a criminal investigation after a 'meet and greet' car park near Gatwick Airport went bust

**For further information on or copies of the press releases listed please contact the Communications and Engagement Team on (033022 28090) or ✉ [pressoffice@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:pressoffice@westsussex.gov.uk)**

## Planning Applications registered in the week ending 21/07/17

### 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/030/17/F</a> Grundon Waste Management Ltd GR: 499460 103310	New access road. At New Circular Technology Park (Former Ford Blockworks), Ford Airfield Industrial Estate, Ford, Arundel, West Sussex, BN18 0HY	20/07/017	Delegated	Mrs Pendleton

**Comments on the above planning application should be made by 16/08/17 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)