

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
29/03/19	Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	FR24(18/19) FR25(18/19)	Write Off of Debts over £15,000 Review of Property Holdings Yapton	Suzannah Hill 033 022 26052
29/03/19	Leader	LDR9(18/19)	Burgess Hill Growth Programme - Approval of Place and Connectivity Programme Funding Agreement	Monique Smart 033 022 22540
01/04/19	Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	FR22(18/19)	Capital Funding: Highwood Blue Light Centre	Suzannah Hill 033 022 26052
03/04/19	Cabinet Member for Adults and Health	AH17(18/19)	Response to Dr Walsh's Notice of Motion about Public Health to County Council on 15 February 2019	Erica Keegan 033 022 26050
03/04/19	Cabinet Member for Environment	ENV15(18/19)	Response to Mr Jones' Notice of Motion about Climate Change to County Council on 15 February 2019	Judith Shore 033 022 26052
04/04/19	Cabinet Member for Environment	ENV16(18/19)	Pollinator Action Plan for West Sussex County Council	Judith Shore 033 022 26052

Urgent Action

Members are asked to note the following urgent action taken by the Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the Chairman of the County Council, the relevant Cabinet Member and Select Committee Chairman or the Chairman of a non-Executive or County Local Committee

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Governance Committee

All [Corporate Parenting Panel Terms of Reference](#)

Contact: Helen Kenny (033 022 22532) ☒

New terms of reference for the Corporate Parenting Panel are proposed in order to deliver a more outward-focused Panel and to ensure that the voice of the child is central to all its work. It is recommended that new terms of reference be agreed by the County Council as soon as possible, to ensure the best outcomes are being achieved for children looked after and care leavers in West Sussex at the earliest opportunity.

The key change is the proposal to widen the membership to become a multi-agency advisory panel, with members including a representative of Independent Reviewing Officers, a Foster Carer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the West Sussex Foster Carer Association, a member of the Children in Care Council and a Care Leaver. These changes will be reviewed in six months and during this time it is proposed that there is consultation with the Children in Care Council to seek its views on how the Panel operates.

The Director of Law and Assurance has therefore used his powers under Standing Order 3.45, in consultation with the Chairman of the Governance Committee, to endorse new terms of reference and membership of the Corporate Parenting Panel for recommendation to the County Council on 5 April 2019.

South Chichester County Local Committee

The Witterings SC13(18/19) [West Wittering - Chapel Lane, Acre Street and Piggery Hall Lane - Experimental Traffic Regulation Order](#)

Contact: Adam Chisnall (033 022 28314) ☒

The County Council has been approached by West Wittering Estate (WWE) for assistance in managing the traffic flow to and from the West Wittering Beach car park. The demand for access to the beach has always been high and, with the improvement of satellite navigation systems (Sat Navs) and advanced mapping, traffic is navigating its way to the coast, diverting from the main access roads and using narrower single track roads that are unsuitable for high volumes of traffic. As a result of the issues, WWE has brought forward plans to better manage peak traffic flow in West Wittering, which would need to be provided on the publicly maintainable highway. Consequently the Highway Authority's permission is required to make the appropriate Traffic Regulation Order.

The Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the Chairman of the South Chichester County Local Committee and the Chairman of the Performance and Finance Select Committee, has used his delegated powers under Standing Order 3.45 to make and advertise the Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders outlined in the report for a maximum period of 18 months. The urgency of this matter was due to the fact that officers would like to be able to implement the proposals before the next County Local Committee meeting.

Decisions Confirmed following Call-in

The following decisions have been confirmed in the last week following the call-in process

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Highways and Infrastructure

All **HI20(18/19)** [A29 Realignment Scheme](#)

Contact: Judith Shore (033 022 26052) ✉

The proposed decision on the A29 Realignment Scheme (HI20(18/19) refers) was called in for scrutiny by the Environment, Communities and Fire Select Committee. The call-in was heard at a meeting of the Committee on 14 March 2019. The Committee resolved that it:

- Supports, in principle, the need for the A29 Realignment Scheme;
- Calls on the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure to withdraw this decision and reconsider it in light of the concerns expressed by members at the meeting, and that any further decision which commits the County Council to any course of action relating to this is not published until after the current public consultation takes place, in which all contributions are given close consideration; and
- Agrees for the Business Planning Group to look into the current process surrounding the initial costing of major projects.

The Cabinet Member responded to the resolutions on 22 March 2019 and made the following comments on the Select Committee's recommendations.

The scheme will help to deliver the West Sussex Transport Plan and the recently adopted Arun Local Plan which has established the principle of strategic development in the area and the A29 Realignment as part of the supporting infrastructure package. By providing improved infrastructure to support the economy, the Cabinet Member considers that the scheme will also help to deliver the West Sussex Plan which is the County Council's commitment to its residents. Therefore, it is now up to the County Council to deliver the A29 Realignment to support the delivery of development and meet the needs of current and future residents.

The Cabinet Member said that, from the information given by officers, it was clear that withdrawing the decision would result in delays to the delivery programme. This is a major infrastructure project with multiple funding partners and dependencies, so delaying the delivery programme would incur potential legal, financial and reputational risks. Although the Cabinet Member acknowledged the level of local concern that exists about the scheme that was reflected in the Committee debate and recommendations, he also noted that the Committee supported, in principle, the need for the scheme. Therefore, he considered that the decision should not be withdrawn as to do so would delay the delivery programme and could jeopardise delivery of the scheme.

However, in response to the Committee's recommendations, the Cabinet Member has confirmed that comments received during the consultation will be taken into account before the scheme design is finalised. He will also ensure that procurement of a design and build contractor should only take place provided that no substantive changes are required to the scheme. He hoped that these assurances will demonstrate to the Committee that the feedback received during the public consultation will be given due consideration as the scheme develops.

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The Cabinet Member has therefore confirmed the decision on the A29 Realignment Scheme. The decision came into effect on 22 March 2019.

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Decision-Maker	No.	Decision	Officer Contact
Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure	HI20(18/19)	A29 Realignment Scheme	Judith Shore 033 022 26052
Chanctonbury County Local Committee	CBY6(18/19) CBY7(18/19) CBY8(18/19)	Community Initiative Funding North Street, Storrington - Proposed Traffic Regulation Order Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies	Monique Smart 033 022 22540
Central and South Mid Sussex County Local Committee	CSMS11(18/19) CSMS12(18/19)	Community Initiative Funding Nominations for Local Authority Governors to Maintained Schools and Academy Governing Bodies	Adam Chisnall 033 022 28314
Executive Director Economy, Infrastructure and Environment	OKD29(18/19)	Award of Contract for the expansion of Bourne Community College	Wendy Saunders 033 022 22553

Weekly News

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All	1	Forward Plan of Key Decisions	Helena Cox (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 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 21 March 2019.

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Since the last edition of the Members' Information Service changes to the Plan have been made to:

- Add a new decision to the A Prosperous Place priority – Highways and Transport Service Area Review – Highway Maintenance Plan (May);
- Move a decision in the A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place priority – West Sussex Minerals and Waste Development Scheme 2019-22 – from March to May in order to agree the revised timetable with the South Downs National Park Authority; and
- Add a new decision to the A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place priority – Collaborative Procurement of Diesel Fuel with Blue Light partners (May).

Communications

County Council Press Releases up to 22 March

16/03/19 - [Tree falls into one Crawley home and damages another](#)

Road is currently closed, the area cordoned off, and people are asked to avoid the area if possible

18/03/19 - ['Seeing a happier and more settled child is so rewarding'](#)

We are recruiting for a number of posts this World Social Work Day

18/03/19 - [Major highway improvement work starts soon in Broadbridge Heath](#)

Project will provide new facilities for both pedestrians and cyclists

19/03/19 - [West Sussex Record Office joins elite group of archives](#)

West Sussex Record Office was presented with a national award at an event last night, putting it in the top 6% of archives in the country

19/03/19 - [Gathering evidence on the damage alcohol can cause in our communities](#)

Helping curb violent crime, domestic abuse and anti-social behaviour are just three of the areas that the County Council's Public Health team factor into consideration when faced with a new licencing application

21/03/19 - [Firefighters help young girl with fear of smoke alarm noise](#)

Firefighters at Haywards Heath have invited Elsie Williams and her mum into the station to help overcome her fear

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

Planning Applications registered in the week ending 22/03/19

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 Steven Shaw on 033 022 24674.

Public Rights of Way - Notification of Application for change to the Path Network sent out for Public Consultation

The following proposal has been investigated and sent out for public consultation. Members may obtain further information by contacting the case officer. Comments on the proposal must be made by 3 May 2019. If substantive objections are raised by members or consultees the application will be referred to the Rights of Way Committee for determination.

Parish/ path number	Proposal	Site Location	Case Officer	Local Member
Ansty and Staplefield bridleway 40CR	To divert part of bw40CR from present position close to house and bisecting garden to a more northerly field edge route.	Mizbrook Farmhouse, Cleavers Lane, Cuckfield	Judith Grimwood 033 022 26705	Mr Bradbury

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

The following consultation on a Crawley Borough 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 18 April 2019. 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
Crawley footpath 360Sy	Consultation on Crawley Borough Council Order to divert part of footpath 360Sy under S257 of Town and Country Planning Act to allow the development of new station concourse/airport facilities.	Gatwick Airport Station, South Terminal	Judith Grimwood 033 022 26705	Mr Burrett

Parish/ path number	Proposal	Site Location	Case Officer	Local Member
	The new path will be provided to an approved standard on a slightly more easterly line. A holding objection has been entered pending consideration of the proposal.			

For further information about the Members' Information Service please contact Clare Jones on 033 022 22526 or ✉ clare.jones