

To all Members of the County Council

An ordinary meeting of the County Council will be held at **10.30 a.m.** on **Friday, 16 February 2018** at **County Hall, Chichester**.

Agenda

1. [Members' Interests](#)

Members are asked to disclose any pecuniary or personal interests in matters appearing on the agenda.

2. [Minutes](#)

The Council is asked to confirm the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the County Council held on 15 December 2017 (pages 301 to 329).

10.45 a.m.* 3.

[Appointments](#)

To consider any proposed changes by the Groups to appointments. Any proposals will be circulated and changes will take effect from the end of the meeting.

4. **Address by a Cabinet Member**

At the discretion of the Chairman, to receive any address by a Cabinet Member on a matter of urgency and/or significant interest to the County Council and which relates to the powers and responsibilities of the County Council or which affects the Council.

5. [Medium Term Financial Strategy 2018/19 to 2021/22 and Revenue Budget 2018/19](#)

The County Council is asked to consider and approve the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2018/19 to 2021/22 and the draft revenue budget for 2018/19 in the light of a report by the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources in the enclosed budget booklet which also includes the budget pack and portfolio budget pages.

6. **Notice of Motion**

To consider the following motion, submitted by Ms Lord, notice of which was given on 26 January 2018. A [briefing note](#) is now available.

'On 6 February 1918, the Representation of the People Act

which extended the franchise to women for the first time, received its Royal Assent. One hundred years on, we have a woman Prime Minister, a woman First Minister of Scotland and a woman Leader of West Sussex County Council with a Cabinet containing three women colleagues.

Yet still women's representation in local and central government lags behind that of men. Nationally, just one in three local councillors is a woman and, with the slow pace of change, 50:50 representation is not expected until 2065. Only 23 of West Sussex's 70 councillors are women, and we are one of the 96% of councils that do not have a maternity leave, parental leave or carers' policy for councillors.

This Council has an opportunity over the next three years to work to increase the number of women who stand for election as county councillor and to become a leading Council nationally on this issue.

In this anniversary year, this Council agrees to undertake a project to explore the barriers that exist for women wanting to become councillors in West Sussex and make recommendations on how to increase the number of women who stand in the 2021 elections, and to implement its recommendations.'

1.00 p.m.

Lunch (In the event that the morning business is finished before lunch the afternoon business will be brought forward as appropriate.)

2.00 p.m.

7. [Governance Committee: Pay Policy Statement 2018/19](#)

The Council is asked to approve the Pay Policy Statement 2018/19 in the light of a report from the Governance Committee (pages 330 to 344).

8. [Governance Committee: Aldermen and membership of the Pension Advisory Board](#)

The Council is asked to approve a scheme for the appointment of Aldermen and a change to the membership of the Pension Advisory Board in the light of a report from the Governance Committee (pages 345 to 348).

9. [Question Time](#)

Questions to the Leader and Cabinet Members on matters contained within the Cabinet report, [written questions](#) and any other questions relevant to their portfolios. Members may also ask questions of the Leader on anything that is currently relevant to the County Council. The attached report covers relevant Council business or developments in respect of portfolios arising since the meeting of the Council on 15 December 2017 (pages 349 to 360). [A supplementary report](#) may be published.

(2 hours is allocated for question time)

4.15 p.m. **County Council concludes.** Items not commenced by 4.15 p.m. will be deferred to the following meeting.

Director of Law and Assurance
7 February 2018

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