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The Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the County Chairman and, where relevant, the Leader, relevant Cabinet Member and the chairman of the appropriate scrutiny committee, has used his delegated powers under the urgent action procedure to take the [decisions](#) set out below in accordance with indicative votes taken by the informal virtual meeting of the County Council on Friday, 17 December 2021.

The reports and other documents considered, the text of the motions debated and any interests declared are listed on the [meeting webpage](#). The minutes of the informal meeting will be published in due course.

These decisions have been taken using the urgent action procedure due to the fact that the matters requiring decision, having been considered by the County Council at an informal meeting, would otherwise be delayed as the next formal meeting of the Council is not due to take place until February 2022.

Minutes (Item No. 4)

Following consideration of the draft minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the County Council held on 22 October 2021 and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council **it is decided:**

That, subject to the correction in minute 29.1 of the period of service of former county councillor, Mr Peter Jones, to read 1997 to 2013, the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the County Council held on 22 October 2021 be approved as a correct record.

Review of Proportionality (Item No. 6)

Following consideration of the report and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council **it is decided:**

That the proportionality be approved.

Appointments (Item No. 7)

Following consideration of the nominations and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council **it is decided:**

That the appointments as set out below be approved.

Committee	Change
Communities, Highways and Environment Scrutiny Committee	Cllr Oxlade in place of Cllr Baxter
Fire and Rescue Services Scrutiny Committee	Cllr Chowdhury in place of Cllr Turley
Performance and Finance Scrutiny Committee	Cllr Kerry-Bedell in place of Cllr Linehan

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Regulation, Audit and Accounts Committee	Cllr Dunn and Cllr Turley to fill vacancies
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Governance Committee: Changes to Council Procedures (Item No. 9)

Following consideration of the report and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council **it is decided:**

That the proposed changes to Part 4, Section 1 of the Constitution, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.

Governance Committee: Minor changes to the Constitution, including Regulation, Audit and Accounts Committee Terms of Reference (Item No. 10)

Following consideration of the report and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council **it is decided:**

- (1) That the proposed changes to Part 3, Appendix 5 of the Constitution, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report, be approved; and
- (2) That the minor changes to the Constitution, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report, be approved.

Regulation, Audit and Accounts Committee: Arrangements for appointment of an External Auditor (Item No. 11)

Following consideration of the report and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council **it is decided:**

That the invitation from the Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited (PSAA) to continue to be an opt-in authority for the purposes of the appointment of an external auditor for both West Sussex County Council and West Sussex Pension Fund, for the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2028, under the provision of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the requirements of the Local Audit (Appointing Person) Regulations 2015, be accepted.

Motion on Food Waste Collection (Item No. 13a)

Following consideration of the text of the motion, the content and outcome of the debate and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council, the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change and the Chairman of the Communities, Highways and Environment Scrutiny Committee, **it is decided** that the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change be asked to:

- (1) Urge the Government to clarify the 'implement by' date as soon as possible and to fully fund the transition costs for both the collection and disposal authorities, as well as additional on-going costs due to these new burdens; and
- (2) Ask the Government to ensure that councils who wish to introduce the measures ahead of the mandated timeframe do not lose out on funding so that the county can see these emission reductions and household benefits without unnecessary delay.

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Motion on Speed Limits (Item No. 13b)

Following consideration of the text of the motion, the content and outcome of the debate and in consultation with the Chairman of the Council, the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport and the Chairman of the Communities, Highways and Environment Scrutiny Committee, **it is decided** that:

This Council supports the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport in her current policy review and new Transport Plan which will consider options such speed reductions including the 20mph limit and other measures such as quiet lanes all of which have the potential to improve road safety, air quality, and to encourage active travel.