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## **Environment, Communities and Fire Scrutiny Committee**

A meeting of the committee will be held at **10.30 am** on **Monday, 13 January 2020** at **County Hall, Chichester**.

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### **Agenda**

1. **Declarations of Interest**

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2. **Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee** (Pages 5 - 12)

The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2019 (cream paper).

3. **Urgent Matters**

Items not on the agenda which the Chairman of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances, including cases where the Committee needs to be informed of budgetary or performance issues affecting matters within its terms of reference, which have emerged since the publication of the agenda.

4. **Responses to Recommendations** (Pages 13 - 16)

The Committee is asked to note the responses to recommendations made at the 7 November 2019 meeting from:

Cabinet Member for Environment

Cabinet Member for Fire & Rescue and Communities

Cabinet Member for Highways & Infrastructure

- 10.45 am 5. **West Sussex Fire and Rescue Services HMICFRS Improvement Plan Progress Report** (Pages 17 - 32)

Report by the Chief Fire Officer

It is proposed to consider the item in two parts

A) Readiness for HMICFRS revisit

B) Progress in implementing the Improvement Plan

To include discussion on the Final Report of the Task and Finish Group – Report attached. In respect of this part of the discussion the Committee is asked to be guided by the focus for scrutiny, as set out in section 4 of the report.

#### **Adjournment for lunch at 1.15pm**

The Committee will adjourn for 30 minutes for lunch.

- 1.45 pm 6. **Road Safety Framework Progress** (Pages 33 - 60)

Report by Director Highways, Transport and Planning.

The Committee is asked to consider WSCC's performance together with the suggested future approach noting that any additional funding would be subject to further business case and approval.

- 2.45 pm 7. **Consultation by Transport for the South East on a Draft Transport Strategy** (Pages 61 - 102)

Report by Acting Executive Director Places Services and Director of Highways, Transport and Planning.

The Committee is asked to approve the County Council's Consultation Response (Appendix B) for submission to Transport for the South East.

- 3.25 pm 8. **Business Planning Group Report** (Pages 103 - 108)

The report informs the Committee of the Business Planning Group meeting held on 15 November 2019, setting out the key issues discussed.

The Committee is asked to endorse the contents of this report, and particularly the Committee's Work Programme revised to reflect the Business Planning Group's discussions (attached at Appendix A).

3.45 pm

9. **Appointment to the Business Planning Group**

A vacancy has arisen for a member of the Conservative group on the Business Planning Group.

3.50 pm

10. **Requests for Call-in**

There have been no requests for call-in to the Select Committee and within its constitutional remit since the date of the last meeting. The Director of Law and Assurance will report any requests since the publication of the agenda papers.

11. **Forward Plan of Key Decisions** (Pages 109 - 120)

Extract from the Forward Plan dated 2 January 2020 – attached.

An extract from any Forward Plan published between the date of despatch of the agenda and the date of the meeting will be tabled at the meeting.

The Committee is asked to consider whether it wishes to enquire into any of the forthcoming decisions within its portfolio.

12. **Possible Items for Future Scrutiny**

Members to mention any items which they believe to be of relevance to the business of the Select Committee, and suitable for scrutiny, e.g. raised with them by constituents arising from central government initiatives etc.

If any member puts forward such an item, the Committee's role at this meeting is just to assess, briefly, whether to refer the matter to its Business Planning Group (BPG) to consider in detail.

13. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 5 March 2020 at 10.30 am at County Hall, Chichester. Probable agenda items include:

- Household Waste Recycling Sites
- Community Hubs Update
- Road Space Audit Progress Report
- Licensing of Tables and Chairs on the Highway
- Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by 24 February 2020.

**To all members of the Environment, Communities and Fire Scrutiny Committee**

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