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Environment and Communities Scrutiny Committee

A virtual meeting of the Committee will be held at **10.30 am** on **Wednesday, 24 June 2020**.

Note: In accordance with regulations in response to the current public health emergency, this meeting will be held virtually with members in remote attendance. Public access is via webcasting.

The meeting will be available to watch live via the Internet at this address:

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Agenda

1. **Declarations of Interest**

Members and officers must declare any pecuniary or personal interest in any business on the agenda. They should also make declarations at any stage such an interest becomes apparent during the meeting. Consideration should be given to leaving the meeting if the nature of the interest warrants it. If in doubt please contact Democratic Services before the meeting.

2. **Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee** (Pages 5 - 10)

The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2020 (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 11 - 12)

The Committee is asked to note the responses to recommendations made at the 5 March 2020 meeting from the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure.

10.40 am 5. **Integrated Parking Strategy** (Pages 13 - 78)

Report by the Director of Highways, Transport and Planning.

The Committee is invited to consider and comment on the extent to which the proposed Strategy:

- a. Meets the needs of residents and businesses.
- b. Reflects advances in technology, both those already realised, and those anticipated.
- c. Fits with the Council's other strategies and policies, for example in respect of climate change, and with those of the district and borough councils, such as in respect of air quality.
- d. Addresses the scale of planned development in West Sussex.
- e. Whether the present COVID-19 crisis and its consequences might have implications for the Strategy

Break at 11.40am

The Committee will adjourn for 5 minutes for a break.

11.45 am 6. **Reallocating Road Space in Response to COVID-19** (Pages 79 - 88)

A report by the Director of Highways, Transport and Planning.

The Committee is invited to review the initiative, and consider:

- (1) Any lessons learned from the work undertaken so far;
- (2) Member involvement in the process ahead;
- (3) How assurance is provided that the schemes proposed under the programme represent the best value for money, given the volume of suggestions;
- (4) The impact of compressed time scales, including on any limitations to the depth and scope of investigatory work; and
- (5) The implications for the Council of resourcing the work to support and develop these schemes, including consideration of any prioritisation that may be required.

Adjournment for lunch at 12.45pm

The Committee will adjourn for 30 minutes for lunch.

1.15 pm

7. **Climate Change Strategy 2020/30** (Pages 89 - 110)

Report by Executive Director Place Services and Director of Environment and Public Protection

The Committee is asked to scrutinise and comment on

- a. The scope and depth of the draft Strategy
- b. Whether the Strategy is sufficiently challenging/ambitious
- c. How it is foreseen that the required changes in organisational culture will be brought about.
- d. Whether the present COVID-19 crisis and its consequences might have implications for the Strategy

2.00 pm

8. **Requests for Call-in**

There have been no requests for call-in to the Scrutiny 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.

9. **Forward Plan of Key Decisions** (Pages 111 - 120)

Extract from the Forward Plan dated 11 June 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.

10. **Possible Items for Future Scrutiny**

Members to mention any items which they believe to be of relevance to the business of the Scrutiny 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.

11. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 21 October at 10.30 am at County Hall North, Horsham. Probable agenda items include:

- Highways and Transport Delivery Programme 2020/21
- Pagham Harbour
- Serious Violence
- Local Flood Risk Management Strategy
- Report from the Waste Strategy Task and Finish Group

Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by 9 October 2020.

To all members of the Environment and Communities Scrutiny Committee