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Communities, Highways and Environment Scrutiny Committee

A meeting of the Committee will be held at **10.30 am** on **Wednesday, 24 November 2021** at **County Hall, Chichester, PO19 1RQ**.

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Agenda

- 10.30 am 1. **Declarations of Interest**
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- 10.32 am 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 30 September (cream paper).
- 10.34 am 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.
- 10.35 am 4. **Responses to Recommendations** (Pages 11 - 14)

The Committee is asked to note the responses to recommendations made at the 30 September meeting.

10.37 am 5. **Domestic and Sexual Violence and Abuse** (Pages 15 - 30)

The Committee is asked to scrutinise the current partnership approach to tackling domestic and sexual violence and abuse in West Sussex in order to obtain a more coherent and detailed picture of the threats, harms, risks and vulnerability that impact our residents.

Comfort Break for 10 minutes - 12.22pm-12.32pm

12.32 pm 6. **Energy Strategy 2030** (Pages 31 - 50)

The Committee is asked to scrutinise the draft Energy Strategy 2030, which the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change plans to adopt in due course.

The Committee is in particular asked to consider:

(1) Whether the rationale for the chosen scenario is justified and if it is the best fit for the County

(2) How have the County Council's priorities changed in relation to climate change matters since the implementation of the previous strategy agreed in 2016?

(3) What support the County Council is providing to households affected by fuel poverty and what does the future look like if central government funding is cut?

(4) Whether the strategy is deliverable and sufficiently ambitious?

Lunch Break for 30 minutes - 1.20pm-1.50pm

1.50 pm 7. **(Quarter 2) Quarterly Performance and Resources Update** (To Follow)

A report by the Director of Law and Assurance, setting out the finance and performance position as at the end of September 2021.

The Committee is asked to note the report.

2.20 pm 8. **Review of Community Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs)** (To Follow)

Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) are legal orders that support the enforceable restrictions and movements on the public highway. In West Sussex, requests for TROs are received from communities each year to deal with matters such as speed limits, parking controls and moving traffic offences. These

requests are known as Community TROs. The Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport seeks to ensure the way in which Community TROs are prioritised, approved and delivered is fit for purpose and responds appropriately to community demand.

The Committee is asked to scrutinise the draft Assessment Framework, delivery mechanism and governance arrangements.

9. **Forward Plan of Key Decisions** (Pages 51 - 100)

3.05 pm

10. **Work Programme Planning and Possible items for Future Scrutiny** (To Follow)

The Committee is asked to review its current draft work programme for the remainder of the County Council term. The work programme attached reflects the outcome of discussions at the Committee's Business Planning Group meeting on 5 November 2021.

The Committee is asked to review the Forward Plan entries relevant to its remit (Appendix A) and mention any items which they believe to be of relevance to the business of the Scrutiny Committee. If any member puts forward an item for scrutiny, the Committee's role at this meeting is to assess, briefly, whether to refer the matter to its Business Planning Group (BPG) to consider in detail.

11. **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.

3.15 pm

12. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 19 January 2022 at 10.30 am at County Hall, Chichester. Probable agenda items include:

- Local Transport Plan
- Strategic Options for Waste Disposal

Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by Friday 7 January 2022.

To all members of the Communities, Highways and Environment Scrutiny Committee

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