



THE BULLETIN

Member information



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The Bulletin contains information about decisions by Cabinet Members and County Local Committees plus key officer decisions, topics to be discussed at virtual meetings in the next week and information about the County Council

Decisions



Decisions published in the last week

The following proposed decisions have been published in the last week and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period (date shown) unless the call-in procedure is activated

27 April - [West Sussex Minerals and Waste Development Scheme 2020-23](#)
ENV1(20/21)

28 April - [Award of Contract for the replacement of Modular Units at Southwater Infant and Junior Schools, Horsham - Phase 1](#) OKD4(20/21)

1 May - [Key Decisions - Small Schools proposals](#) CAB1(20/21)

Decisions confirmed following call-in

The following decisions have been confirmed in the last week following the call-in process

New Monks Farm – Withy Patch land surplus to service need and development agreement (FIN18(19/20))

In response to a recommendation from the Performance and Finance Scrutiny Committee at its [meeting on 15 April](#), the Cabinet Member for Finance has confirmed his decision and also agreed a phased approach to any rent increases for tenants of the new Gypsy and Traveller site, particularly whilst the building development is taking place. The [response](#) of the Cabinet Member for Finance has been published and on the website.

Decisions confirmed

These decisions have been confirmed in the last week

[Review of fees and charges for Commissioned Services](#) AH1(20/21)

[New Monks Farm - Withy Patch land surplus declaration and development agreement](#) FIN18(19/20)

[Contract Extension for the Provision of Adult Education Services provided by Aspire Sussex Ltd](#) OKD1(20/21)

[Extension of Day Services Contracts \(Adults with Learning Disabilities\)](#) OKD2(20/21)

[Award of contracts for Highway Maintenance Specialist Services](#) OKD3(20/21)

News

Fire & Rescue and Communities

Raising awareness of our county's Covid-19 Community Hubs

To ensure that our most vulnerable residents continue to be looked after, Royal Mail will start the delivery of a new promotional leaflet to the majority of West Sussex households from next Monday, 27 April. Residents will receive guidance regarding the Covid-19 support available and contact details for their local Community Hub (telephone numbers and website addresses). Leaflets will be distributed by Royal Mail across Adur & Worthing, Arun, Chichester and Horsham with Crawley and Mid Sussex managing their own distribution.

Since the start of the outbreak, our Community Hub support offering has also been promoted in the media, online, social media and in resident eNewsletters.

Environment

Submission of the Soft Sand Review of the Joint Minerals Local Plan

On 17 April the statutory Soft Sand Review of the West Sussex Joint Minerals Local Plan (JMLP) 2018 was submitted to the Government for examination.

The Review, prepared jointly by the County Council and the South Downs National Park Authority, includes a revised strategy for the supply of soft sand, changes to two policies, and the allocation of three sites: extensions to West Heath Common, Rogate

and Chantry Lane, Storrington (both within the South Downs National Park), and a new site at Ham Farm near Steyning.

During the Examination-in-Public (EiP), an independent Planning Inspector will determine whether the Review is 'sound' and procedurally and legally compliant. As part of the EiP, the Inspector will hold a public hearing, which is scheduled to take place during July/August. Subject to the outcomes of the Examination, it is anticipated that the Soft Sand Review will be adopted as formal changes to the JMLP by both authorities in December 2020.

The submission of the Review will be publicised in the near future. Stakeholders and interested third parties will receive a letter and all documents submitted will be available on the County Council's website (www.westsussex.gov.uk/mwdf). Once restrictions related to the Covid-19 pandemic are lifted, all documents will be available to view at a number of public locations.

If you have any queries relating to the Soft Sand Review, the examination process or the public hearings, please contact Rupy Sandhu.

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Press releases

County Council press releases up to 22 April

16 April - [Former High Sheriff's high praise for West Sussex Record Office and fire service](#)

16 April - [Primary school places are offered](#)

17 April - [West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service to support ambulance service during COVID-19](#)

17 April - [Family home saved by newly fitted smoke alarm](#)

17 April - [Council's Children and Young People's Services scrutiny committee makes schools recommendations](#)

17 April - [COVID-19 community work support available from County Council](#)

20 April - [Work set to start soon on £23m key transport link](#)

21 April - [Warning after e-cigarette explosion](#)

21 April - [Trading Standards thanks West Sussex businesses](#)

Forward Plan

The County Council gives 28 days' notice of key decisions (those which involve expenditure or savings of £500,000 or more or which have a significant impact on

communities in two or more electoral divisions). The current [Forward Plan](#) was published on 16 April.

Applications

Planning applications

[Applications](#) registered in the last week

Planning applications: highways

[Applications](#) received from borough and district councils where comments on highways, ecology, landscaping and archaeology have been requested

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