



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

10 February - [Contract Variation for Provision of a Health, Wellbeing and Recovery Service](#) OKD57(20/21)

12 February - [Housing Related Support Award of Contract](#) OKD58(20/21)

Urgent action

The following urgent action, taken by the Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the Chairman of the County Council, the relevant Cabinet Member or officer and Scrutiny Committee Chairman or the Chairman of a non-Executive or County Local Committee as appropriate, has been approved in the last week

[Allocation of Adult Social Care Rapid Funding from Central Government - Lateral Flow Device Testing OKD59\(20/21\)](#)

Decisions confirmed

These decisions have been confirmed in the last week

[West Sussex Plan Reset CAB14\(20/21\)](#)

[Revenue Budget 2021/22 and Capital Programme 2021/22 to 2025/26 CAB15\(20/21\)](#)

[Local House Project for Care Leavers CAB16\(20/21\)](#)

[Expansion of Palatine Primary School, Worthing ES13\(20/21\)](#)

[Active Travel Fund Phase 2 - Approval of Schemes/Programmes HI16\(20/21\)](#)

Committee News

Forthcoming virtual committee meetings

In accordance with regulations in response to the current public health emergency the County Council will, until further notice, hold virtual committee meetings for essential business only. Councillors will attend and participate remotely via conference calls and there will be press and public access via webcasting.

Meetings next week

12 February, 10.30 am - [County Council](#)

[Watch meetings online:](#) You can watch the meetings live online via our webcasting website. Our webcasts are also available in the webcast library for six years after the meeting.

News

Education and Skills

Woodlands Meed College Project Update

In September 2020 the Cabinet Member for Finance and Cabinet Member for Education and Skills took a decision to approve the release of funds for the commissioning of a feasibility study on an alternative site at Jane Murray Way, Burgess Hill, for the building of Woodlands Meed College, whilst continuing with the project for re-building the College on the existing site at Birchwood Grove Road (decision reference [ES6\(20/21\)](#) refers).

The feasibility study on the possible alternative site at Jane Murray Way has been completed. It confirmed the feasibility of developing two educational assets on the site, but that the site would not provide all the benefits initially envisaged. Additional factors such as environmental constraints have the potential to extend the delivery programme to build the new Woodlands Meed College for a period of at least two years. Taking these factors into account it was not an option that could be supported by the County Council, especially given the successful progress on the rebuilding project at the current College site. Therefore the project to deliver the replacement Woodlands Meed College building on the site at Birchwood Grove Road will continue, as set out in the decision taken by the Cabinet in May 2020 (decision reference [CAB3\(20/21](#) refers). [Project updates](#) on the rebuilding of the College are available on the website.

Environment

Pagham Harbour Local Nature Reserve Annual Report

The [annual report](#) (PDF, 484KB) outlines the RSPB's management activity at Pagham Harbour Local Nature Reserve during 2019/20 (including an update on key breeding bird species) and reports against the Service Level Agreement with West Sussex County Council.

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Press releases

County Council press releases up to 3 February

28 January - [New Horsham Fire Station and Training Centre to go before planners](#)

29 January - [Trading Standards is working hard to keep West Sussex safe](#)

2 February - [New fire training centre and fire station approved by planners](#)

2 February - [Council to provide 14,000 children with a £20 school holiday voucher](#)

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 2 February.

Applications

Planning applications

There were no applications registered in the last week

Planning applications: highways

[Applications](#) (PDF, 257KB) received from borough and district councils where comments on highways, ecology, landscaping and archaeology have been requested

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Events

Council elections

WSCC Elections May 2021: Candidates Event on 23 February

Ahead of the election on 6 May, the County Council has been hosting a series of events for people to find out more about the role of a county councillor. The final event is aimed at those who have decided to stand for election or have been selected by a political party to stand. It will take place virtually on **23 February** from **6 pm**. Those wishing to attend need to [register in advance](#). Members are asked to share the details of the event and the link with anyone they know who may be standing for election and would benefit from learning more about the role and the support available if elected.

Any questions regarding the event should be directed to Amanda Drinkwater in Democratic Services at amanda.drinkwater@westsussex.gov.uk.

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