



Agenda and Reports

for the meeting of

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

to be held on

24 MARCH 2009

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County Hall
Kingston upon Thames
Surrey

13 March 2009

TO THE MEMBERS OF SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMONS TO MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the County Council to be held at County Hall, Kingston upon Thames, on Tuesday 24 March 2009, beginning at **10.30am**, for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out overleaf.

Note : Prayers will be said at 10.25am. The Rev John Joseph, Redhill United Reformed Church, has kindly consented to officiate.

There will be a very short interval between the conclusion of Prayers and the start of the meeting to enable those Members and Officers who do not wish to take part in Prayers to enter the Council Chamber and join the meeting.

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This meeting will be held in public. If you would like to attend and you have any special requirements, please contact Joanne Hargreaves on 020 8541 9068

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1. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 10 February 2009.

(Note: the Minutes will be laid on the table half an hour before the start of the meeting).

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman to report apologies for absence.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman to report.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of personal and prejudicial interests from Members in respect of any item to be considered at the meeting.

(Note: It would be helpful if Members could complete the declarations of interest form before the start of the meeting - forms available on the central table in the Council Chamber.)

5. MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME

The Leader of the Council or the appropriate Member of the Executive or the Chairman of a Committee to answer any questions on any matter relating to the powers and duties of the County Council, or which affects the county.

6. SURREY POLICE AUTHORITY

The Police Authority's nominated spokesman to answer any questions on the discharge of functions of the Surrey Police Authority.

(Note: Notice of questions in respect of items 5 and 6 on the agenda must be given in writing, preferably by e-mail, to Anne Gowing in Democratic Services by 12 noon on Wednesday 18 March 2009).

7. REPORT OF THE SURREY POLICE AUTHORITY

To receive a report from the Surrey Police Authority.

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8. STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Any Member may make a statement at the meeting on a local issue of current or future concern, and named Member Champions may make a statement on their area of responsibility.

(Note: Notice of statements must be given in writing, preferably by e-mail, to Joanne Hargreaves in Democratic Services by 12 noon on Monday 23 March 2009).

9. ORIGINAL MOTIONS

(i) Hazel Watson (Dorking Hills) to move under Standing Order 10 as follows:

‘This Council regrets that following twelve years of a majority Conservative administration, the County Council has been awarded the lowest one star rating by the Audit Commission.

This Council agrees to desist its judicial review action against OFSTED to challenge the assessment of the Council’s Children’s Service as,

- i. it will be much more productive to address the issues raised in the report than to challenge the overall findings on a technicality,
- ii. money saved through not incurring legal bills could be spent on enhancing the service, and
- iii. management time could be spent on improving the service and not on briefing lawyers which does not improve the front-line service.’

10. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE

To receive the report of the meetings of the Executive held on 20 January, 5 and 17 February, 3 and 17 March 2009, and to agree recommendations which require a Council decision in respect of the Children and Young People’s Plan 2009/10 and the Local Area Agreement 2008-11 Refresh 2009.

11. SURREY’S ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2010 FOR COUNTY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS

To consider the recommendations of the Executive and agree Surrey’s admissions arrangements for County and Voluntary Controlled Schools for September 2010.

The officer report to be considered by the Executive on 17 March 2009 is attached.

A supplementary report setting out the views and recommendations of the Executive will be circulated separately after its meeting to be held on 17 March 2009.

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