



SURREY
COUNTY COUNCIL

Agenda and Reports

for the meeting of

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

to be held on

20 JULY 2010

County Hall
Kingston upon Thames
Surrey

9 July 2010

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 20 July 2010, beginning at 10.30am, for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out overleaf.

DAVID McNULTY
Chief Executive

Note 1: *Prayers will be said at 10.25am. Revd. Brian Prothero, The Parish Church of St. James Weybridge, 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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman to report apologies for absence.

2. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 15 June 2010.

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

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. LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader to make a statement.

6. MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME

The Leader of the Council or the appropriate Member of the Cabinet 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.

7. 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 6 and 7 on the agenda must be given in writing, preferably by e-mail, to Anne Gowing in Democratic Services by 12 noon on Wednesday 14 July 2010).

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8. REPORT OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

To receive a report from the Standards Committee and to agree a recommendation in respect of amendments to the Articles of the Council's Constitution.

9. REPORT OF THE SURREY POLICE AUTHORITY

To receive a report from the Surrey Police Authority.

10. STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Any Member may make a statement at the meeting on a local issue of current or future concern.

(Note: Notice of statements must be given in writing, preferably by e-mail, to Anne Gowing in Democratic Services by 12 noon on Monday 19 July 2010).

11. ORIGINAL MOTIONS

(i) Mrs Hazel Watson (Dorking Hills) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'This Council recommends that the Cabinet provides the necessary funding to implement the reduced speed limit schemes already approved by the Local Committees in order to:

- (i) avoid the waste of money already spent on approving and developing such schemes as speed surveys are time limited;
- (ii) avoid overruling and undermining democratic decisions made by Local Committees; and
- (iii) improve road safety and reduce the number of road traffic accidents resulting in death and personal injury which bring human suffering and financial costs.'

(ii) Mr Eber Kington (Epsom and Ewell North) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'This Council expresses its concern at the process adopted for scrutinising and determining a revised Policy for Civil Parking Enforcement in Surrey. In particular, it notes that report to the Transportation Select Committee meeting held on 25 May 2010:

- contained limited analysis of the options in terms of pros and cons
- contained no risk analysis of each option
- contained limited justification as to why the option recommended was the most appropriate.

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In addition the Council expresses its concern that the timetable proposed for discussions by the Cabinet Member for Transport did not allow for a proper consideration of the report at a public and open meeting of each Local Committee.

This Council therefore calls upon the Leader and Members of the Cabinet to ensure that future policy changes are subject to proper scrutiny by the relevant Scrutiny Committee and where appropriate Local Committees, through the provision of timely reports which contain all appropriate information, including financial costings and a risk analysis.'

(iii) Mr David Hodge (Warlingham) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'That this Council:

- a) Welcomes the decision of the new Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, Rt. Hon Eric Pickles, to scrap many league tables for local government and also the abolition of the Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA);
- b) Is concerned that, under the previous government, inspections were seen almost as an end in themselves, rather than a means to improving outcomes for residents;
- c) Believes that being able to deliver value for money services and make Surrey County Council a World Class local authority depends on having robust performance management and Quality Assurance systems driven by and within the council; and
- d) Believes that the existence of the aforementioned systems and processes will help us deliver good quality services for the residents and businesses of Surrey.'

(iv) Mr Tim Hall (Leatherhead and Fetcham East) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'That this Council:

- a) Recognises that the country is in a parlous financial state as a result of the previous government's mishandling of the economy and profligate overspending;
- b) Is cognisant of the fact that the coalition Government has inherited from its predecessor the largest budget deficit of any economy in Europe with the single exception of Ireland;
- c) Acknowledges that the coalition government faced difficult challenges in preparing its emergency budget;

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- d) Supports the coalition government's efforts to reduce the deficit whilst attempting to protect frontline services where possible;
- e) Welcomes the honesty about the country's finances as articulated by the Chancellor and Chief Secretary to the Treasury;
- f) Resolves to work with the government to take advantage of their pledge to help local authorities to freeze Council Tax; and
- g) Will continue to press the government for a fairer share of funding for Surrey.'

(v) Mrs Mary Angell (Woodham and New Haw) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'That this Council:

- a) Notes the content and aims of the Private Member's Bill put forward by the MP for Mole Valley, Sir Paul Beresford, to amend the Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004;
- b) Agrees to support Sir Paul in his endeavours wherever possible; and
- c) Restates its belief that domestic violence is unacceptable in all circumstances.'

(vi) Mr Tony Rooth (Shalford) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'That this Council shares the concern of local residents and parents that a Public Sex Environment should not be allowed to exist in close proximity to Puttenham Church of England Primary School. This Council agrees to recommend to Cabinet that the Council owned lay-by on the A31 (which provides the major access to this sex site) should be closed as soon as possible.'

12. REPORT OF THE CABINET

To receive the report of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 29 June and 13 July 2010.

13. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

A vacancy has arisen in the post of Chairman of the Planning and Regulatory Committee. The Council is asked to appoint a Chairman of the Committee for the remainder of the 2010/11 Council Year.

14. REVIEW OF MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES FOR 2010/2011

To consider the report and recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel and agree a Scheme of Allowances for 2010/11.

15. AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION – THE EXERCISE OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS

The Leader has agreed a change to the executive functions delegated to officers, as listed in Part 3, Section 3 of the Council's Scheme of Delegation (general delegation to officers). In accordance with Articles 5.02 and 6.04(d)(ii) of the Council's Constitution, the changes made by the Leader are being reported to Council.

16. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

(a) AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

To receive the report of the Audit and Governance Committee and to agree a recommendation in respect of the Risk Management Strategy.

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