

Agenda and Reports

for the meeting of

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

to be held on

17 JULY 2012

County Hall Kingston upon Thames Surrey

6 July 2012

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 in the Council Chamber at County Hall, Kingston upon Thames, on Tuesday 17 July 2012, 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. The Reverend Simon Taylor, of Busbridge Parish Church, Godalming. 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 Anne Gowing on 020 8541 9938

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 12 June 2012.

(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.

A list of Her Majesty's the Queen's Birthday's Honours List 2012 is included within the agenda papers.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests from Members in respect of any item to be considered at the meeting.

Notes:

- In line with the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, declarations may relate to the interest of the member, or the member's spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom the member is living as husband or wife, or a person with whom the member is living as if they were civil partners and the member is aware they have the interest.
- Members need only disclose interests not currently listed on the Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- Members must notify the Monitoring Officer of any interests disclosed at the meeting so they may be added to the Register.
- Members are reminded that they must not participate in any item where they have a disclosable pecuniary interest.

5. LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader to make a statement.

There will be an opportunity for Members to ask questions.

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 <u>Wednesday 11 July 2012</u>).

8. REPORT OF THE SURREY POLICE AUTHORITY

To receive a report from the Surrey Police Authority.

9. 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 email, to Anne Gowing in Democratic Services by 12 noon on Monday 16 July 2012).

10. REPORT OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

- (a) To approve the minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on 2 July 2012 (to follow)
- (b) To receive the handover report from the Standards Committee.

11. CHANGES TO THE STANDARDS REGIME

To receive reports from:

(a) the Ethical Standards Working Group, which includes recommendations on the Code of Conduct and Member/Officer Protocol.

(b) the Monitoring Officer regarding the legislative changes and new requirements in relation to ethical standards.

12. ORIGINAL MOTIONS

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

'The Council calls upon the Cabinet to review its current Community Partnership Library policy so as to develop a more widely supported alternative'

(ii) Mrs Fiona White (Guildford West) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'This Council recognises that there is high demand by Surrey residents for advice and support because:

- i) significant numbers of people are struggling to pay their bills and are in debt, and:
- ii) changes to the benefits system will have an impact on Surrey residents.

This Council agrees that voluntary organisations in Surrey that provide advice about coping with debt problems and welfare benefits are generally best placed to help Surrey residents and requests the Cabinet consider the provision of additional funding of £100,000 to such organisations.'

13. REPORT OF THE CABINET

To receive the report of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 29 May and 19 June 2012.

14. REPORT OF THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

To receive a report from the Audit and Governance Committee, which recommends approval to revisions to the Code of Corporate Governance.

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