



Agenda and Reports

for the meeting of

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

to be held on

8 DECEMBER 2015

County Hall
Kingston upon Thames
Surrey

27 November 2015

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, County Hall, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 2DN, on Tuesday, 8 December 2015, beginning at 10.00am, for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out overleaf.

DAVID McNULTY
Chief Executive

Note 1: *For those Members wishing to participate, Prayers will be said at 9.50am. Rev Lynn Alsop, Assistant Curate of St Martin of Tours, Epsom has kindly consented to officiate. If any Members wish to take time for reflection, meditation, alternative worship or other such practice prior to the start of the meeting, alternative space can be arranged on request by contacting Democratic Services.*

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.

Note 2: *This meeting may be filmed for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's internet site - at the start of the meeting the Chairman will confirm if all or part of the meeting is being filmed. The images and sound recording may be used for training purposes within the Council.*

Generally the public seating areas are not filmed. However by entering the meeting room and using the public seating area, you are consenting to being filmed and to the possible use of those images and sound recordings for webcasting and/or training purposes.

If you have any queries regarding this, please contact the representative of Legal and Democratic Services at 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 13 October 2015.

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- 16)

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

3 ELECTION OF A COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The Chief Executive formally to report the election of a new County Councillor for the Epsom West division at the By-election held on 19 November 2015.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman to report.

5 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:

- Each Member must declare any interest that is disclosable under the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, unless it is already listed for that Member in the Council's Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- As well as an interest of the Member, this includes any interest, of which the Member is aware, that relates to the Member's spouse or civil partner (or any person with whom the Member is living as a spouse or civil partner).
- If the interest has not yet been disclosed in that Register, the Member must, as well as disclosing it at the meeting, notify the Monitoring Officer of it within 28 days.
- If a Member has a disclosable interest, the Member must not vote or speak on the agenda item in which it arises, or do anything to influence other Members in regard to that item.

6 LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader to make a statement.

There will be an opportunity for Members to ask questions.

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7 MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME

- (1) 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.

(Note: Notice of questions in respect of the above item on the agenda must be given in writing, preferably by e-mail, to Anne Gowing in Democratic Services by 12 noon on Wednesday 2 December 2015).

- (2) Cabinet Member Briefings on their portfolios

These will be circulated by email to all Members prior to the County Council meeting, together with the Members' questions and responses.

There will be an opportunity for Members to ask questions.

8 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 7 December 2015).

9 ORIGINAL MOTIONS

ITEM 9(i)

Mr Stephen Cooksey (Dorking South and the Holmwoods) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

'This Council notes:

(i) the findings of the most recent Footways Network Survey, showing that a third of all the county's footways are either "functionally or structurally impaired".

(ii) that models produced by the Council's highways team show that the current low levels of capital investment in the county's footways will lead to a continued deterioration in their condition, with 40% of the county's footways expected to be "functionally or structurally impaired" by 2028.

In light of these worsening conditions, this Council requests the Cabinet to give much higher priority to the funding of footway resurfacing, re-paving and repair to improve the condition of Surrey's footway network for the benefit of pedestrians.'

ITEM 9(ii)

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

‘This Council warmly welcomes a new Conservative Government which is listening to the voice of Local Government and is now setting out an agenda of reforming business rates, devolving power and responding to the funding needs of adult social care.’

ITEM 9(iii)

Mr Jonathan Essex (Redhill East) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

Supporting LGA Climate Local Initiative

‘Surrey County Council takes note of the International Climate Talks currently taking place in Paris and takes this opportunity to reaffirm the importance of its leadership role in this area by committing to sign up to the Local Government Association's Climate Local initiative, and call on other Councils to do the same.’

ITEM 9(iv)

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

‘Council notes that when roads are surface dressed in order to prolong the life of roads by sealing them and to save money before a full resurfacing, the road surface becomes noisier for residents living nearby.’

This Council requests the Cabinet to amend its policy to take into account not just cost but also the quality of life of residents, including noise levels of different road surfaces when deciding on different types of materials and processes for surface dressing or full road resurfacing.’

10 REPORT OF THE CABINET

(Pages
17 - 106)

To receive the report of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 27 October and 24 November 2015 and to agree two recommendations in respect of:

- (i) School Organisation Plan 2015/16 – 2024/25
- (ii) Revision of Procurement Standing Orders

11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN FOR COUNCIL OVERVIEW BOARD

To appoint a Chairman for the Council Overview Board for the remainder of the council year.

- 12 AMENDMENT TO SURREY PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2015 - 16** (Pages 107 - 114)
To approve the updated 2015/16 Pay Policy Statement.
- 13 CONSTITUTION UPDATE REPORT - FINANCIAL GOVERNANCE AMENDMENTS** (Pages 115 - 120)
It is the Council's responsibility to approve changes to the Scheme of Delegation regarding non-executive functions. Amendments to executive functions are delegated to the Leader and are brought to County Council to note.

This report notes changes to the Scheme of Delegation (Cabinet and Officers) relating to academy balance transfers on conversion, the management of Trust Funds and fees & charges.

As a result of these changes to the scheme of delegation, Council are invited to note the amendments to the Financial Regulations.
- 14 MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CABINET** (Pages 121 - 154)
Any matters within the minutes of the Cabinet's meetings, and not otherwise brought to the Council's attention in the Cabinet's report, may be the subject of questions and statements by Members upon notice being given to Anne Gowing in Democratic Services by 12 noon on Monday 7 December 2015.

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