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Agenda and Reports
for the meeting of
THE COUNTY COUNCIL
to be held on
5 DECEMBER 2017

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County Hall
Kingston upon Thames
Surrey

Friday, 24 November 2017

TO THE MEMBERS OF SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMONS TO MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Council to be held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 2DN, on Tuesday, 5 December 2017, beginning at 10.00 am, for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out overleaf.

JULIE FISHER
Acting Chief Executive

Note 1: *For those Members wishing to participate, Prayers will be said at 9.50am. Reverend Chris Hollingshurst from St John's Church, West Byfleet 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.*

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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 Democratic Services on 0208 541 9122

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman to report apologies for absence.

2 MINUTES

(Pages 1
- 24)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10 October 2017.

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

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members present are required to declare, at this point in the meeting or as soon as possible thereafter

- (i) Any disclosable pecuniary interests and / or
- (ii) Other interests arising under the Code of Conduct in respect of any item(s) of business being considered at this meeting

NOTES:

- Members are reminded that they must not participate in any item where they have a disclosable pecuniary interest
- 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)
- Members with a significant personal interest may participate in the discussion and vote on that matter unless that interest could be reasonably regarded as prejudicial.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman to report.

5 LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader to make a statement.

There will be an opportunity for Members to ask questions.

6 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 Democratic Services by 12 noon on Wednesday 29 November 2017).

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.

7 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 Democratic Services by 12 noon on Monday 4 December 2017).

8 ORIGINAL MOTIONS

Item 8(i)

Dr Andrew Povey (Cranleigh & Ewhurst) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

That the wording of the Financial Framework for Members' Allocations contained in Part 5 of the Council's Constitution, be modified in the section "What we cannot consider", point 7, to replace the word "core" with the word "statutory".

Item 8(ii)

Mr Chris Botten (Caterham Hill) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

This Council notes that:

(i) significant numbers of children who are either in the care of the County Council or children with special educational needs are being placed in residential care or special schools outside Surrey. This means that children are either living a long way from family and friends or have to travel long distances to get to and from school which is detrimental to children and their families and;

(ii) the County Council is projecting to overspend its special needs transport Budget by £1.2 million in 2017/18.

This Council supports plans to develop travel training for young people with special educational needs and to encourage the take up of the parental travel allowance.

This Council agrees that there is a lack of County Council provided

residential places and special needs places for children within Surrey and the County Council must urgently invest in providing more of such places for children in Surrey.

Item 8(iii)

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

This Council notes that the County Council does not currently have a road sign inspection policy and that it relies upon members of the public to notify the County Council of missing and damaged road signs.

This Council calls upon the Cabinet:

(i) to develop a sign inspection policy with regular inspections to be carried out by Council officers to identify missing and damaged road signs and to implement such a policy; or

(ii) alternatively if the County Council is expecting members of the public to notify it of missing or damaged road signs, to provide an interactive map showing which road signs should be in place to enable them to more effectively perform their role.

Item 8(iv)

Mr Robert Evans (Stanwell and Stanwell Moor) to move under Standing Order 11 as follows:

Surrey Council recognises the huge contribution made to the County by all its employees.

Council notes that:

- local government pay is amongst the lowest in the public sector;
- in real terms, basic pay across local government has fallen by around 21% since 2010;
- Surrey CC workers have now had eight years of below-inflation pay increases;
- there are growing equal and fair pay risks resulting from this situation.

This council recognises that local government pay should not be allowed to fall further behind other parts of the public sector, so therefore supports the aim of restoring fair pay on behalf of council and school workers and calls for an immediate end to public sector pay restraint.

Additionally, this council notes the drastic ongoing cuts to local government funding and calls on central government to provide the additional funding needed to fund a decent pay rise for its employees.

Surrey County Council therefore calls on the Leader of the Council, as Chairman of the People, Performance and Development Committee to:

(vi)

- a. write to the Prime Minister and the Chancellor supporting the National Joint Council (NJC) and other locally determined local government pay claims and to seek additional finance to fund a decent pay rise.
- b. call immediately on the Local Government Association (LGA) to make urgent representations to central Government to fund the NJC and other locally determined local government pay claims and then to report back on their action in this regard.
- c. meet with local Surrey County Council union representatives to convey support for their claim for a fair pay increase.

Item 8 (v)

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

Council notes:

That on the 16 November 2017 the Council Overview & Budget Scrutiny committee agreed that our property investments should be guided by a environmental and social governance (ESG) policy, agreed and confirmed in writing, as does our pension fund investments.

Council resolves:

That ESG policy be agreed with a commitment that this should be applied to all of the property-related investment decisions made by Surrey County Council, both through its local authority property company Halsey Garton and by itself, including for its developments on publically owned sites in Surrey, and that this policy includes specific commitments to:

- genuinely affordable housing;
- investments to reach BREEAM rating of Excellent or higher;
- reaffirm our existing commitment to protect the green belt; and
- for these commitments to be scrutinised in public.

9 REPORT OF THE CABINET

(Pages
25 - 74)

To receive the report of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 31 October and 28 November 2017 and to:

- Agree one recommendation in respect of approval of the changes to the Procurement Standing Orders
- Note the local government ombudsman report with a finding of maladministration

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| 10 | REPORT BACK FROM THE PEOPLE, PERFORMANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON REFERRED MOTION | (Pages
75 - 76) |
| | At its meeting on 27 October 2017 the People, Performance and Development Committee considered a Motion in the name of Jonathan Essex referred to it by Council on 10 October 2017. | |
| 11 | PAY POLICY STATEMENT REPORT | (Pages
77 - 96) |
| | To approve a revised Pay Policy Statement for 2017/2018. | |
| 12 | APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE | (Pages
97 - 98) |
| | To approve the appointment of Chief Executive. | |
| 13 | APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM MONITORING OFFICER | (Pages
99 - 100) |
| | To approve the appointment of Interim Monitoring Officer. | |
| 14 | MINUTES OF CABINET MEETINGS | (Pages
101 -
120) |
| | 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 Democratic Services by 12 noon on 4 December 2017. | |

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