



Agenda and Reports

for the Budget meeting of

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

to be held on

7 FEBRUARY 2023

Woodhatch Place Reigate Surrey

Monday, 30 January 2023

TO THE MEMBERS OF SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMONS TO MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Council to be held at Woodhatch Place, 11 Cockshot Hill, Reigate, Surrey, RH2 8EF, on Tuesday, 7 February 2023, beginning at 10.00 am, for the purpose of transacting the business specified in the Agenda set out overleaf.

JOANNA KILLIAN Chief Executive

Note 1: For those Members wishing to participate, Prayers will be said at 9.50am (officiant to be confirmed). 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 Chair 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 Amelia Christopher on 07929 725663 or via the email address above.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair to report apologies for absence.

2 MINUTES (Pages 7 - 36)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 13 December 2022.

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 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Pages 37 - 38)

Welcome

Welcome everyone to today's Council meeting - our first formal meeting of 2023. It is wonderful to be back here with you all. I hope you enjoyed the Christmas break and that 2023 is off to a good start for you all.

King's New Year Honours

I would like to offer a huge 'thank you' and 'very well done' to all Surrey residents who were honoured in His Majesty The King's New Year Honours.

Extraordinary and exceptional work has been carried out across our county in a vast range of sectors, which has really made an immeasurable difference to so many peoples' lives.

I would like to say a particular 'congratulations' to Surrey County Councillor Robert Evans, Labour & Labour Co-operative Group Leader, who has received an OBE for Political and Public Service. Very well done Robert - thoroughly well deserved.

Please find the list of Surrey New Year Honours 2023 attached to the agenda (Annex 1).

Holocaust Memorial Day 2023

On 27 January we marked Holocaust Memorial Day and remembered all those who perished so horrifically at the hands of Nazi Germany.

Surrey History Centre showcased a devastating and thought-provoking exhibition based on the theme 'Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives'.

The display features:

- Alice Goldberger and Weir Courtney Hostel, Lingfield
- Rowledge House Hostel, near Farnham
- Dr Hilde Lion and Stoatley Rough School
- Jewish refugees in Guildford
- Sudeten refugees 'in a remote corner of Surrey'

For more information, visit: Holocaust Memorial Day 2023 – Ordinary people, extraordinary lives (exploringsurreyspast.org.uk)

Cllr Alison Todd (née Griffiths) - Tree Planting Ceremony

Following the tragic death of Cllr Alison Todd last year, we are hosting a tree-planting ceremony in Alison's name today. Following the close of this meeting, please join me in the Memorial Garden to remember Alison, pay your respects and plant a tree in her honour.

A wonderful councillor – we are so pleased that Alison's memory and a tribute to her will live on here at Woodhatch Place.

Thank You

As always, I would like to extend my gratitude and thanks to the Members and officers for your continued hard work to support our residents, particularly in these very difficult times. Unfortunately, circumstances are likely to get even harder for some time yet. I know, however, that you will continue to do your absolute best to deliver for our residents. Thank you - and keep up the excellent work.

5 2023/24 FINAL BUDGET AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY TO 2027/28

(Pages 39 - 210)

Council is asked to approve the 2023/24 Final Budget and Medium-Term Financial Strategy to 2027/28.

Leader's Statement (Budget) - to be appended to the minutes.

There will be an opportunity for Members to ask questions and/or make comments.

6 MEMBERS' QUESTIONTIME

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 1 February 2023).

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 6 February 2023).

8 REPORT OF THE CABINET

To receive the report of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 20 December 2022 and 31 January 2023.

(Note: To follow)

9 MINUTES OF CABINET MEETINGS

(Pages 211 -220)

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 Monday 6 February 2023.

(Note: To follow: Minutes, Cabinet - 31 January 2023)

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Thank you for your co-operation