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Agenda and Reports
for the Annual meeting of
THE COUNTY COUNCIL

to be held on

23 MAY 2023

Woodhatch Place
Reigate
Surrey

Friday, 12 May 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, 23 May 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. The Reverend Martin Colton, Vicar of St Mark's Church, Reigate, 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 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.

If you would like a copy of this agenda or the attached papers in another format, e.g. large print or braille, or another language please either call Democratic Services on 020 8541 9122, or write to Democratic Services, Surrey County Council at Woodhatch Place, 11 Cockshot Hill, Reigate, Surrey, RH2 8EF, Minicom 020 8541 9698, fax 020 8541 9009, or email amelia.christopher@surreycc.gov.uk

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 CHAIR

1. To elect a Chair for the Council Year 2023/24.
2. The Chair to make the statutory declaration of acceptance of office.

2 ELECTION OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The Chief Executive, as County Returning Officer, formally to report the election of a new County Councillor. Ashley Richard Tilling for the Walton South and Oatlands division at the by-election held on 4 May 2023.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair to report apologies for absence.

4 MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21 March 2023.

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5 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.

6 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair to report.

7 VICE-CHAIR

1. To elect a Vice-Chair for the Council Year 2023/24.
2. The Vice-Chair to make the statutory declaration of acceptance of office.

8 MOTION OF THANKS TO RETIRING CHAIR

The newly elected Chair to move a formal motion of thanks to Helyn Clack, the retiring Chair of the Council.

9 LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader to make a statement.

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

10 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.

(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 17 May 2023).

11 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 22 May 2023).

12 APPROVAL OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR ABSENCE

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39 - 40)

The purpose of this report is to request that the County Council considers whether to agree that County Councillor John Furey may continue to be absent from Council meetings by reason of ill health.

13 ANNUAL REVIEW OF POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY

To formally review the proportional political allocation of places on committees and to adopt a scheme of proportionality for the Council Year 2023/24.

(Note: to follow)

14 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

To appoint Members of the various Boards / Committees of the Council for the Council Year 2023/24 subject to any changes of membership to be reported to the meeting by Group Leaders.

(Note: to follow)

15 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN

To elect Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees for the Council Year 2023/24.

(Note: to follow)

- 16 SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23** (Pages 41 - 54)
For Council to review the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 as presented in the accompanying paper offering feedback and comments as required.
- 17 APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL** (Pages 55 - 58)
To ratify the appointment of members of the Council's Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP).
- 18 AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION** (Pages 59 - 72)
It is the Council's responsibility to approve changes to the Council's Constitution. This report sets out proposed changes to Part 7 - Members' Allowances Scheme. These are brought to Council for formal approval in accordance with Article 4.04(b) and (k) and Article 13.01 of the Council's Constitution.
- 19 REPORT OF THE CABINET** (Pages 73 - 80)
To receive the report of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 28 March 2023 and 25 April 2023.
- 20 MINUTES OF CABINET MEETINGS** (Pages 81 - 106)
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 22 May 2023.

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Thank you for your co-operation