



Agenda and Reports
for the meeting of
THE COUNTY COUNCIL
to be held on
10 OCTOBER 2023

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Woodhatch Place
Reigate
Surrey

Monday, 2 October 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, 10 October 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 Dr Pieter J. Lalleman, Knaphill Baptist Church, Woking, 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 email Amelia Christopher on 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 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair to report apologies for absence.

2 MINUTES

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11 - 48)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11 July 2023.

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

David Goodwin, RIP

I am very sorry to report the very sad news of the passing last month of our former colleague and friend, David Goodwin.

Husband of our colleague Angela, David was a terrific Liberal Democrat County Councillor who worked tirelessly for his residents of Guildford South-West from 2005-2021. He was elected as a Guildford Borough Councillor in 1999, representing the former Friary & St Nicolas ward for 16 years and then the Onslow ward for eight years. David was appointed an Honorary Freeman in June for his long-standing contributions to the borough.

I am sure you all join me in sending condolences to Angela and family. David will be very much missed.

Hazel Watson, 30 Years' SCC Anniversary

Moving on to happier news, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Cllr Hazel Watson on her 30th anniversary of being a Surrey County Councillor. A magnificent achievement.

Hazel was voted the Liberal Democrat councillor for Dorking Hills in 1993 and has been supporting and campaigning for her residents ever

since. She has held various positions at SCC – as well as numerous positions in her division – including chairing the Adults and Community Care Select Committee and Vice Chairman of the Corporate Management Select Committee, as well of course, as leading SCC's Liberal Democrats for many years.

Hazel has been a tremendous asset to SCC and her residents and I look forward to the next 30 years of Hazel at SCC!

Members' Development Day

Friday 20 October sees the next in-person Member Development Day at Woodhatch Place. The day provides a key opportunity to network, both with each other and with senior officers, and there will be numerous workshops on a variety of issues and organisations that can help support you and your residents, such as social media and Your Fund Surrey.

It promises to be an excellent and very worthwhile day; please do come if you are able. Please complete the RSVP link that has been emailed to you. I hope to see as many of you there as possible. Thank you.

Volunteers' Reception – Call for Nominations

You will hopefully have seen from the email sent to you earlier in the summer that next year, I will be hosting a 'Thank You' Reception for Surrey's volunteers, to which you have been invited to nominate your local volunteers.

As you know, my theme is 'Celebrating Diverse Communities' so I am keen to hear about volunteers who have supported Surrey's diverse communities.

Diverse communities are those that are under-represented or have limited capacity for involvement, such as the ethnic minoritised; faith groups; those with disabilities and neurodiversity; older people; young people; those living in rural communities; the LGBTQI+ communities and those experiencing mental ill health and wellbeing.

My office will re-send the information and link to nominate to you all. Please do consider the volunteers and groups in your division and nominate those who contribute to these communities. If you are unsure as to whether the volunteers you have in mind meet the criteria, please do contact the Chair's Office team and they will be very happy to help you.

Act of Remembrance

Surrey County Council's Act of Remembrance will take place on Friday 10 November, 10.40am-11.15am in the Memorial Garden at Woodhatch Place. You have all be sent an invitation; I do hope as many of you as possible are able to attend and show your respect and grateful thanks to all those who fought for us and gave their lives in two World Wars in the service of this country.

We will also remember those who have died in the many other conflicts since, particularly those currently fighting in Ukraine, as they fight for their country and freedoms.

I look forward to seeing you there.

5 LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader to make a statement.

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

6 CHANGES TO CABINET PORTFOLIOS AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

(Pages
49 - 58)

Council is asked to note the Leader's changes to Cabinet Portfolios.

Council is asked to agree the appointment of Helyn Clack as a Select Committee Task Group Lead for the Adults and Health Select Committee, replacing Riasat Khan.

7 MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME

1. The Leader of the Council, the Deputy Leader 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 4 October 2023).

2. Cabinet Member and Deputy 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 Democratic Services by 12 noon on Monday 9 October 2023).

9 ORIGINAL MOTIONS

Item 9 (i)

Matt Furniss (Shalford) to move under standing order 11 as follows:

This Council notes:

- The proposed removal of Day Travelcards by the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, for those travelling into and throughout London. This will result in Surrey residents having to buy separate rail and

London transport service tickets. Currently, Day Travelcards provide unlimited travel on Transport for London (TfL) services, including the London Underground, Bus, Tram, Docklands Light Railway, London Overground and Elizabeth line, and National Rail services in London. They can also be used to obtain a one third reduction in River Services fares. The proposals to remove Day Travelcards constitute an unfair, unacceptable and expensive levy on our residents who wish or need to travel to London.

- The proposals have deliberately targeted the removal of the Day Travelcard as a method to generate additional income for TfL. It is anticipated by the Mayor's own consultation that the withdrawal of Day Travelcards will result in rail operators ceasing to sell Zone 1-6 Travelcards. This will add barriers and travel friction to journeys to London – running counter to evidence that passenger journeys and the use of public transport are enhanced by improving integrated ticketing not reducing it. No regard is given in the proposals for the potential loss of revenue to the London economy that may be caused by the increase in travel costs as Surrey residents risk being priced out of the nation's capital. Employers, retail and leisure businesses, theatres and many others may see a reduction in revenue as residents reduce their time and/or expenditure in London. The Cabinet Member for Transport, Infrastructure and Growth has written to TfL on this matter to express concern and a lack of support for these proposals.

This Council resolves to:

- I. Demand that London Mayor, Sadiq Khan, immediately withdraws his proposals for the removal of Day Travelcards.
- II. Request that the Leader of the Council writes to Sadiq Khan informing him of this resolution of Surrey County Council, the discriminatory nature of his proposal, the impact on Surrey residents, the negative impact on the economy of London and therefore the need to abandon plans to remove Day Travelcards.
- III. Ensure the Leader of the Council writes to the Secretary of State for Transport urging him to intervene in this matter.

Item 9 (ii)

Trefor Hogg (Camberley East) to move under standing order 11 as follows:

This Council notes:

- The very strong links between the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goals for 2030;
- The United Kingdom's commitment to the UN Sustainable Development Goals;
- That **leave no one behind** is the central, transformative promise of the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals; and
- Our own Community Vision for 2030 which states Our Ambitions for People and Place as **making Surrey a special place where no one is left behind.**

This Council further notes:

That the framework of the UN Sustainable Development Goals provides a balanced, well-researched and detailed model of how those goals are strongly linked and interact with each other. For Surrey they provide a guide that supports a coherent view of Our Ambitions for People and Place and how they are strongly linked and interact with each other.

This Council resolves:

- I. That where practicable this Council will make use of the UN Sustainable Development Goals as a guide to how we should address the interlinked nature of Our Ambitions for People and Place. Particularly in relation to our own policies for the environment to shape them so that they will support delivery of the UN Sustainable Development Goals and will be a key part of our contribution to leaving future generations a place to live in that allows them to thrive.

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| 10 | APPROVAL OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR ABSENCE | (Pages
59 - 60) |
| | 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. | |
| 11 | SELECT COMMITTEES' REPORT TO COUNCIL | (Pages
61 - 64) |
| | For Members to note the headline activity of the Council's overview and scrutiny function in the period March 2023 to September 2023 asking questions of Scrutiny Chairs as necessary. | |
| 12 | SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL - ELECTORAL REVIEW: RESPONSE TO LGBCE DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS | (Pages
65 - 84) |
| | To endorse Surrey County Council's (SCC) response to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) divisional arrangements recommendations. | |
| 13 | AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION - REPORT OF THE PLANNING & REGULATORY COMMITTEE | (Pages
85 - 100) |
| | It is the Council's responsibility to approve changes to the Council's Constitution. | |
| | This report sets out proposed changes to the Surrey Code of Best Practice in Planning Procedures (Part 6(11)). Consequential changes to Standing Orders (Part 4) in relation to public speaking at Planning & Regulatory Committee are also required. These are brought to Council for formal approval in accordance with Article 4.04(b) and Article 13.01 of the Council's Constitution. | |
| 14 | REPORT OF THE CABINET | (Pages
101 -
104) |
| | To receive the report of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 25 July 2023 and 26 September 2023. | |

15 MINUTES OF CABINET MEETINGS

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105 -
128)

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 9 October 2023.

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Thank you for your co-operation.