

## Member Information Service

### Decisions made by Cabinet Members

The following decision has been made by the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth and will take effect at 10.00a.m. on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021, unless the call-in procedure is activated. If you wish to request that a proposed decision is called in, please contact Member Services on 01444 477062 or e-mail [committees@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:committees@midsussex.gov.uk), in addition to making a written request to the Monitoring Officer, Tom Clark.

#### Welcome Back Fund Proposals

The Cabinet Member for Economic Growth agreed that:

- the Welcome Back Fund activities, set out in Table 1, are approved;
- the District-wide promotional activities are commissioned; and
- work with Town and Parish Councils progress to enable the delivery of a range of activities to support town and village centres up to March 2022.

The following decisions have been made by the Cabinet Member for Customer Services and will take effect immediately as urgent matters and therefore not subject to call in.

#### Test and Trace Discretionary Support Payment Guidelines

The Cabinet Member for Customer Services approved the Mid Sussex District Council updated Test and Trace Discretionary Support Payment Guidelines and extend it to the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

**Copies of the reports are attached to this email. In due course, the reports will be Executive Decisions which can be found [here](#).**

### Committee Meetings

The Programme of Meetings for 2021-22 was considered and approved at the Annual Council meeting.

**Please note that meeting start times vary and may be held either via remote video link or in-person as detailed below.**

Meetings for September and October are listed below:

#### **SEPTEMBER 2021**

7 September – Liquor Licensing Panel @ 10am (Virtual)

9 September – Planning Committee @ 4pm (In-Person)



13 September – Cabinet @ 4pm (Virtual)

15 September – Scrutiny Committee for Leader, Finance and Performance @ 6pm (Virtual)

16 September – District Planning Committee @ 2pm (In-person)

~~22 September – Scrutiny Committee for Housing, Planning and Economic Growth @ 5pm (Virtual)~~

**Please note this meeting has been deferred to when the review of the District Plan can be considered.**

28 September – Audit Committee @ 5pm (Virtual)

29 September – Charity Trustees @ 6:45pm (TBC)

29 September – Council @ 7pm (TBC)

## OCTOBER 2021

6 October – Scrutiny Committee Community, Customer Service and Service Delivery @ 5pm (Virtual)

12 October – Licensing Committee @ 5pm (Virtual)

14 October – Planning Committee @ 4pm (In-Person)

18 October – Cabinet @ 4pm (Virtual)

21 October – District Planning Committee @ 2pm (In-person)

25 October – Cabinet Grants Panel @ 4pm (Virtual)

Democratic Services has updated your O365 calendar with the new dates and times. Regular updates on the status of meetings in the forthcoming period will be provided to Members and the Council's public facing website will be continually updated.

## Agendas – Items to be Considered

### Planning Committee – 9 September 2021 @ 4pm

#### Recommended for Approval

**DM/21/2367 | Little Park Farm, Marchants Close, Hurstpierpoint, Hassocks, West Sussex, BN6 9UZ** - Removal of an existing barn, mobile home and other outbuildings. Construction of 3 dwellings - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=QV5IGJKT08C00>

**DM/21/2457 | Lower Sheriff Farm, Hammingden Lane, Ardingly, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 6SP** - Change of use of four existing farm buildings to an events venue. Small lean-to extension to the northern side of the main barn - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=QV190VKT0DA00>

**DM/21/2809 | Bachelors Field Recreation Ground, The Street, Bolney, West Sussex** - Tarmac surface pump track (bike track) to sit along side existing recreation facilities on Batchelors Field Recreation Ground. Maximum height 1m, other mounds of various heights to enable user to roll from one to the next - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=QX1ZLSKT0FX00>



## Member Development Learning

### Learning Pool

For online training that you can do conveniently in your own time, please visit the Learning Pool.



To complete your online learning pool training modules please visit:

<https://stc.learningpool.com/login/index.php>

The modules available for Members to complete are:

- Safeguarding Adults
- Safeguarding and Child Protection
- County Lines
- What is GDPR?
- Getting Started with Social Media.
- Business Continuity Management.
- Annotating and Editing Documents.
- Planning Application Decision Making for Members

If you have any problems with accessing the Learning Pool, please email [committees@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:committees@midsussex.gov.uk) or 01444 477062.

## Information and News

### COVID-19 News

Covid levels in Mid Sussex have fallen slightly to about 280 cases per 100,000 in the last week which is around the level we had in early July 2021 and therefore remains high and caution is still needed in indoor settings. Hospitalisations locally are rising slowly and deaths from Covid remain low but more regular.

Average Covid rates across West Sussex have also fallen to about 280 cases per 100,000 with the spike in Covid rates in Chichester coming down well below 400 cases per 100,000 in the last week. The average Covid figure in England has also fallen a little in the last week to about 315 cases per 100,000. The average Covid rate in the South East has also fallen back to where it was two weeks ago to about 290 cases per 100,000 with rates in East Sussex now similar to those in West Sussex.

In most areas of England Covid rates remain below 400 cases per 100,000 but in popular holiday locations such as Devon and Cornwall they are now above 400 cases per 100,000. Rates in Scotland and Wales have risen rapidly in the last week with many areas in Scotland now having rates above 400 cases per 100,000 with schools having gone back in the last 2 weeks in Scotland.

Lateral flow tests are available free to collect locally or request online by post so everyone can check their Covid status and take a PCR test if the lateral flow test indicates a Covid positive result.

People who are not double vaccinated are still required to self-isolate if they are asked to do so by Test and Trace or if they have been in recent close contact with someone who goes on to test positive



for Covid. Those double vaccinated or under 18 are recommended to get a free PCR test in these circumstances but need only self-isolate if that test is positive.

About 80% of the adult population in England and in Mid Sussex are now double vaccinated and about 89% of the adult population have received a first vaccination.

All people 16 and over are now eligible for a Covid vaccination jab with the second vaccinations being done after 8 weeks.

Please see the latest public data for Covid rates in West Sussex [here](#).

Please find the latest update from the Sussex Health and Care Partnership [here](#).

## **Complaints and Compliments – June and July**

### **Complaints – June (16)**

Waste and Outdoor Services = 8  
Recovery = 4  
Planning = 2  
1 each for Housing and Parking

### **Compliments – June (19)**

Customer Services = 13  
Waste & Outdoor Services = 4  
Dev Management (Planning) = 2

### **Complaints – July (11)**

Waste & Outdoor Services = 4  
Revenues = 3  
Recovery = 1  
Dev Management (Planning) = 1  
Corporate Estates & Facilities = 1  
Planning & Building Control Support = 1

### **Compliments – July (30)**

Customer Services = 13  
Waste & Outdoor Services = 7  
Dev Management (Planning) = 5  
Communications = 2  
Corporate Estates & Facilities = 1  
Planning & Building Support = 1  
Revenues = 1

## **Member Briefing – Burgess Hill Growth Programme Update**

Further to a recent email from the Deputy Leader, please note that a briefing for Members will be held on Tuesday 21 September 2021 at 5pm. Details on how to join the meeting online will be shared in due course.



## **South Downs News**

Please find the latest edition of South Downs News [here](#).

## **News Releases**

For further information or copies of the news releases listed below, please contact the Press Office on 01444 477 387 or use the following link: <http://www.midsussex.gov.uk/my-council/council-magazine-and-press-releases/press-releases/>

31 August 2021 - [Have your say on the new political map for Mid Sussex District Council](#)

