

Member Information Service

Decision Made by an Individual Cabinet Member

Call-in deadline – 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 2nd September 2013.

The following decision has been made by the Cabinet Member for Planning and will come into effect at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 2nd September 2013, unless the call-in procedure is activated. If you wish to request that a proposed decision is called in, please contact Jo Harper on 01444 477421 (<u>jo.harper@midsussex.gov.uk</u>) in addition to making a written request to the Monitoring Officer, Tom Clark.

The Strategic Access Management and Monitoring (SAMM) Interim Mitigation Strategy for the Ashdown Forest Special Protection Area (SPA) and Special Area of Conservation (SAC)

The Cabinet Member agreed the SAMM Interim Mitigation Strategy which will appy to planning applications proposing a net increase in residential dwellings within a 7km zone around the Ashdown Forest Special Protection Area (SPA).

During the call-in period the report is available to Members on the intranet: <u>http://thewire/organisation/1613.htm</u>

Thereafter it will be an Executive Decision which can be found on the attached public link: http://mid-sussex.cmis.uk.com/mid-sussex/Councillors/ExecutiveDecisions.aspx

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CHANGES TO EMAIL ACCESS FROM TUESDAY 27TH AUGUST

You may be aware that a serious security breach to the IT systems of one of our Census partnership councils took place recently resulting from an intruder having access to email (and possibly other parts of the network) because he/she had managed to 'steal' a login name and password from that user's computer. The computer itself was not stolen but had been infected with software designed specifically to steal information and pass it back to the instigator.

Fortunately the breach was contained but it has forced us to look at our security measures and review access to computers both inside and outside the Council.

It has been strongly recommended to us by our IT colleagues that access to email via the simple Outlook login (ie your user name and password) ceases, and that remote access should only be possible using '2 factor authentication' – in other words, a username, then a password and then the number generated by the fob that you were given when you started as a Councillor for this term.

I think most of you, if not all of you, already have these fobs and if that is the case, you do not need to do anything else except use it when prompted by the Outlook web system. As an alternative, you could always log in via Citrix by using it. For those of you that do not already have a fob, it will be necessary for you to be issued with one and to be shown how to use it by a member of the ICT team. Please let me know if that is the case and we'll have you up and running in no time at all.

I hope that you understand the reasons that we need to put these measures in place but if you do have any questions please call me and I can elucidate.

Finally, a reminder - this additional level of security will start at first light on the **27th August** – the day after the bank holiday weekend.

For further information please contact Peter Stuart, Head of Finance, ICT and HR, S.151 Officer on 01444 477315 or e-mail <u>peters@midsussex.gov.uk</u>.