

Member Information Service

Committee Meetings

Please note that meeting start times vary.

All meetings are IN-PERSON in the COUNCIL CHAMBER unless otherwise stated.

Meetings for July and August are listed below:

JULY 2023

26 July – Charity Trustees and Council @ 6:45pm and 7pm

AUGUST 2023

3 August – Planning Committee @ 4pm

8 August – Liquor Licensing Panel @ 10am

10 August – District Planning Committee @ 2pm

Democratic Services has updated your O365 calendar with the 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 to be considered

Charity Trustees – 26 July 2023 @ 6:45pm

Beech Hurst Gardens Charitable Trust, Haywards Heath, West Sussex (Charity Number 305202) - Grant of a 28 Year Lease to the Bowls Clubhouse Tenant.

Council – 26 July 2023 @ 7pm

District Plan Review - Recommendation from Scrutiny.

Representatives on Outside Bodies.

Review of Members' Allowances for 2023/2024.

Planning Committee – 3 August 2023 @ 4pm

Recommended for Approval

DM/23/1530 | Lindfield Cricket Club, Lindfield Common Cricket Pavilion, Backwoods Lane, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 2EB - To install 6 No. pop up irrigation system within the existing cricket square. Install a rainwater harvesting system behind the existing cricket pavilion including a timber fence to secure the water harvesting - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=RVZARNKT0D200>

Member Development Learning

Member Induction 2023

Further Member Development sessions are detailed below.

Date	Time	Learning
Wed 30 August	10.30am	Planning Training - Design/Heritage - mandatory training for all Planning Committee Members
Tues 5 Sept	4.00pm	Planning Training – Planning Investigation and Enforcement - mandatory training for all Planning Committee Members
Tues 12 Sept	6.30pm	Data / FOI Training - for all Members
Tues 19 Sept	6.30pm	Licensing Training - mandatory training for all Licensing Committee Members
Tues 17 Oct	4.00pm	Planning Training – Viability Assessments - mandatory training for all Planning Committee Members

Further planning training sessions are in the process of being arranged and dates for these will be communicated by email/calendar entries as well as future MIS bulletins.

Information and News

Long-term plan for housing announced

Today (24 July), [as part of a long-term plan for housing, the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities, Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, outlined plans to supply homes in places with high-growth potential in partnership with local communities.](#) The Prime Minister also confirmed today that [the government will commit to building 1 million homes over this Parliament.](#)

£800 million will also be allocated today from the £1.5 billion Brownfield, Infrastructure and Land fund to unlock up to 56,000 new homes on brownfield sites. The government is also providing £550 million funding for Homes England, which with income generated will mean a total investment of £1 billion.

There will also be additional reforms to the planning system, with a new fund of £24 million to scale up local planning capacity, and an additional £13.5 million to stand up a new team of experts to support large scale development projects.



Long-term plan for housing: Secretary of State's speech:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/long-term-plan-for-housing-secretary-of-states-speech>

UKHSA launches new strategy to tackle national and global health hazards

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has today (25 July) [launched its three-year strategy to combat both new and re-emerging threats and to protect health security](#).

The [new strategy sets out UKHSA's vision and goals for the next three years to prepare for and respond to health threats and build the capabilities and technologies to protect the country in the future](#).

UKHSA works to protect the public against a wide range of health threats. These include infectious disease, chemical, radiation and nuclear hazards, extreme weather events and other environmental risks.

The six strategic priorities for UKHSA laid out in the strategy are to:

- Be ready to respond to all hazards to health
- Improve health outcomes through vaccines
- Reduce the impact of infectious diseases and antimicrobial resistance
- Protect health from threats in the environment
- Improve action on health security through data and insight
- Develop UKHSA as a high-performing agency

Social Housing Act receives Royal Assent to become law

[DLUHC announced that reforms to social housing have now become law as the government's new Social Housing \(Regulation\) Act received Royal Assent](#) (20 July).

This means working towards changes in holding landlords to account, placing the needs of tenants at the centre of government reforms to improve the quality of life for those living in social housing across the country.

The law brings forward the following changes:

- Strengthening the Regulator of Social Housing to carry out regular inspections of the largest social housing providers and the power to issue unlimited fines to rogue social landlords
- Additional Housing Ombudsman powers to publish best practice guidance to landlords following investigations into tenant complaints
- Powers to set strict time limits for social landlords to address hazards such as damp and mould
- New qualification requirements for social housing managers
- Introducing stronger economic powers to follow inappropriate money transactions outside of the sector

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