

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 August and September are listed below:

AUGUST 2023

- 3 August – Planning Committee @ 4pm
- 8 August – Liquor Licensing Panel @ 10am
- 10 August – District Planning Committee @ 2pm

SEPTEMBER 2023

- 3 September – Planning Committee @ 4pm
- 11 September – Cabinet @ 1pm
- 11 September – Standards Committee @ 7pm
- 14 September – District Planning Committee @ 2pm
- 18 September – Audit Committee @ 7pm
- 20 September – Charity Trustees @ 6:45pm
- 20 September – Council @ 7pm
- 26 September – Licensing Committee @ 7pm
- 27 September – Scrutiny Committee People and Communities @ 7pm

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

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>

Recommended for Approval

DM/22/0596 | NCP Ltd Harlands Road Car Park, Harlands Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1LA - The clearance of the site and construction of a building containing 64 residential apartments (48 1-bed, 16 2-bed) with associated access, car parking, landscaping and ancillary works. (Financial Appraisal Supporting Statement received 5/5/22) (Amended Plans received 7th March 2023) - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=R7PR05KT04L00>

DM/23/1051 | The Farmers Stores, Gatehouse Lane, Goddards Green, West Sussex, BN6 9LE - Proposed mixed used commercial park including a wellness centre Class E(d) and 19 units for Class E(g), B2 or B8 uses - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=RT9N9JKT04L00>

DM/22/2272 | Land At Hurst Farm, Hurstwood Lane, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH15 7QX - Outline application with all matters reserved except for access for the erection of up-to 375 new homes, a two-form entry primary school, burial ground, allotments, open space with associated infrastructure, landscaping and parking areas. ('Additional Highways, Drainage and Ecological information received on 31/05/2023 and 20/06/2023.') - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=RF9XBHKT07Z00>

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.



Survey on Collection of Anti-Social Behaviour data

[In March 2023, the government published the Anti-Social Behaviour \(ASB\) Action Plan](#), and committed to collecting new mandatory data from councils to improve data, reporting and accountability around ASB. DLUHC and Home Office have been working with a group of ASB officers in England and Wales to identify proportionate and appropriate data.

[DLUHC and Home Office are now seeking views from a wider audience and have devised the following short survey](#). Those with responsibility for ASB or data collections in English and Welsh councils are encouraged to respond before 11 September. The information will be used to make a final decision and inform a new burdens assessment and application to the Single Data List with the aim of collecting new data from April 2024.

If you have any questions about the survey or the wider work or would like to be involved in the working group, please contact ASBUnit@levellingup.gov.uk

Update on Government's Work to Improve the Quality of Social Housing – July

On 31 July, [DLUHC provided an update outlining the government's approach to improving the quality of social housing, as set out in the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill](#).

[Every month, progress on DLUHC's commitments will be shared on the social housing update page on GOV.UK](#).

The Social Housing (Regulation) Act received Royal Assent on 20 July 2023. The Regulator of Social Housing has now opened its consultation on consumer standards and is encouraging responses. The Regulator also published its report on damp and mould in the social housing sector, following a survey of registered providers.

The update also covers work DLUHC has undertaken this month including:

- The Secretary of State's speech on housing
- Awaab's Law
- Making sure tenants' voices are heard
- English Housing Survey 2021-2022

Planning Changes to Help Deliver Vital Infrastructure

On 25 July, DLUHC announced [reforms to the planning process for major infrastructure projects such as off-shore wind farms, transport links, waste facilities and nuclear power stations](#).

The government is proposing to streamline the current system and establish a faster route to planning approval for projects that provide community and environmental benefits. As part of this, DLUHC announced a consultation focused on operational reforms to the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) consenting process. The proposals fall broadly into 3 reform areas:

- Operational reform to support a faster consenting process
- Recognising the role of local communities and strengthening engagement
- System capability – building a more diverse and resilient resourcing model



Alongside this, DLUHC has announced [additional support for councils to help them speed up the delivery of vital infrastructure through the second round of the Innovation and Capacity Fund](#). The [NSIPs consultation](#) closes on 19 September. The bidding process for the Innovation and Capacity Fund will run until 25 August.

Funding for Biodiversity Net Gain

On 27 July, the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs announced [over £9 million of government funding to enable the rollout of Biodiversity Net Gain](#).

[Biodiversity Net Gain](#) was introduced through the Environment Act and is a key part of the government's commitment to halt species decline by 2030.

Many housing developers are already successfully operating Biodiversity Net Gain recognising the benefits for people and nature. From later this year, it will be mandatory, meaning all major developments will be required to deliver a 10% benefit for nature.

The funding will help councils recruit additional ecologists and specialists and will help councils better safeguard and enhance habitats during the development process.

Business Bulletin – Summer 2023

Please find the latest edition of Mid Sussex District Council's Business Bulletin through the link below:

[Business Bulletin - Summer 2023](#)

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 July 2023 - [Letters are being posted to households in Mid Sussex regarding the 2023 Annual Electoral Canvass](#)

27 July 2023 - [East Court & Ashplats Wood awarded the coveted Green Flag Award as it is officially recognised as one of the country's best parks](#)

27 July 2023 - [Mid Sussex District Council Chairman announces chosen charity](#)

