

## Member Information Service

### Decisions made by Cabinet Members

The following decisions have been made by Cabinet Members and will take effect at 10.00a.m. on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 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.

#### Release of S106 Local Community Infrastructure (LCI) and Public Art contributions

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning approved the decision that £14,740.00 - £12,495.02 LCI contributions & £2,000.00 Public Art contributions be released from the development on land at Bylanes Close and £244.98 from land at Ardingly Road to fund Cuckfield Parish Council's Community Garden (Angela Fox Nature Garden) project.

#### Release of S.106 Contribution to Fund the Refurbishment Works to Clair Park Pavilion, Social Area And Changing Rooms

The Deputy Leader approved the decision that Section 106 monies in the sum of £23,154.91 Formal Sport and £2,304.00 Community Buildings (total £25,458.91) are released to contribute toward the cost of the Capital Improvement elements of the Clair Park Pavilion Refurbishment project.

**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. All meetings are in-person unless otherwise stated.**

Meetings for November and December are listed below:

#### **DECEMBER 2021**

16 December – District Planning Committee @ 2pm

20 December – Cabinet @ 4pm – **Please note this is an additional meeting.**

#### **JANUARY 2022**

12 January – Scrutiny Committee Leader, Finance and Performance @ 6pm (virtual)

13 January – Planning Committee @ 4pm

19 January – Scrutiny Committee for Housing, Planning and Economic Growth @ 6pm (virtual)

20 January – District Planning Committee @ 2pm



26 January – Charity Trustees @ 6:45pm & Council @ 7pm

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

### District Planning Committee – 16 December 2021 @ 2pm

#### Recommended for Permission

**DM/21/2841 | Land North Of Clayton Mills, Hassocks, West Sussex** - Approval of reserved matters (appearance, layout, landscape and scale), for 500 dwellings, (Class C3), with associated infrastructure, open space and landscaping, pursuant to outline planning permission DM/18/4979. (Amended plans received 4th November relating to the design and layout of the scheme, including the submission of a sustainability statement) - <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=externalDocuments&keyVal=QX9JNGKT0FX00>

#### Other Matters

**EF/17/0248 | 145 High Street, Hurstpierpoint, BN6 9PU**


### Cabinet – 20 December 2021 @ 4pm

Clair Hall Site.




To confirm Exempt Minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 November 2021.

## Member Development Learning

All Member Development Learning Sessions are held in the Council Chamber unless otherwise stated.

Date & Time	Training Event	Indicator
This session has been postponed and a new date will be arranged in due course.	<b>Planning Training:</b> Decision making & Other material considerations <i>(Essential for Planning Members)</i>	



<p><b>11 January 2022</b> @ <b>3pm</b></p>	<p><b>Planning Training:</b> Highways Matters &amp; S106 <i>(Essential for Planning Members)</i></p>	
<p><b>3 February 2022</b> @ <b>3pm</b></p>	<p><b>Planning Training:</b> Design &amp; Heritage Assets <i>(Essential for Planning Members)</i></p>	
<p><b>22 February 2022</b> @ <b>3pm</b></p>	<p><b>Planning Training:</b> Planning Enforcement <i>(Essential for Planning Members)</i></p>	

### **Planning Training – Topics**

The Planning Training will cover the following topics over the course of three training sessions:

- Highways
- Heritage Assets
- Design case study
- Decision making
- Other material considerations,
- S106

Please confirm your attendance to the above training sessions by emailing [committees@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:committees@midsussex.gov.uk) or by calling 01444 477062.

### **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 remain high at about 650 cases per 100,000 but have dropped in the past week. This is still above the peak level of Covid cases we had in mid-July 2021 and therefore caution is still needed in indoor settings which should be well ventilated. Hospitalisations locally and nationally are higher than in June 2021 and have started to rise slowly in the last week. Deaths nationally, within 28 days of a positive Covid test, still average over 100 per day but have remained steady in the last week.

The average Covid rate across West Sussex has fallen slightly to about 620 cases per 100,000 which is now below the increasing rate in the SE generally of about 650 cases per 100,000. The full effects of the Omicron variant will not be showing in these figures yet.

The average Covid figure in England has increased in the last week to about 530 cases per 100,000 with rapid rises in London where the Omicron variant is already found in many positive cases.

In most areas of the UK Covid rates are now above 400 cases per 100,000.

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. Demand for these tests is high at the moment. If going to crowded indoor settings you are advised to do a lateral flow test.

With the identification of the much more infectious Omicron variant of Covid and the unknown level of ill health for those affected, mask wearing is now compulsory in shops, theatres, indoor halls, churches and museums and public transport which includes taxis and private hire vehicles. If returning from abroad you are required to get a Lateral Flow or PCR test up to 48 hours before returning and a PCR test within 2 days of your return and isolate until you get a negative result. If you are identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive for the Omicron variant you are required to do a lateral flow tests daily for 7 days if you have had at least 2 vaccinations for Covid. Those that are not double vaccinated still have to isolate for 10 days and get a PCR test.

About 82% of the population 12 and over in England and in Mid Sussex are now double vaccinated and about 88% of the population 12 and over have received a first vaccination.

All people 16 and over are still eligible for a Covid vaccination jab and encouraged to come forward with the second vaccinations being done after 8 weeks. Vaccinations can now be booked online for anyone 16 or over.

There is a separate online booking system for those aged between 12 and 15 to get their first vaccination outside a school setting at some vaccination locations with second vaccinations now advised after 3 months from the first vaccination. Otherwise Covid vaccinations for all those aged between 12 and 15 have been done in some secondary schools.



Booster vaccinations are being offered to all adults 3 months after the second vaccination. New walk in clinics are being opened where an appointment is not necessary. It is hoped to do 7 million booster vaccinations a week up to the New Year with now about 44% of adults having received their booster vaccination in Mid Sussex and England more generally. Having the booster vaccination is thought to provide greater protection against all the Covid variants and to reduce the chance of spreading the virus.

Annual flu vaccinations continue to be offered through GP contact to older adults and vulnerable groups.

Please see the latest information on Covid vaccination progress and other health matters in West Sussex [here](#).

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

Please note the guidance to remain cautious after 19<sup>th</sup> July to help prevent Covid cases putting pressure on the NHS.

### **NHS Stakeholder Update**

Following the announcement from the Prime Minister regarding the vaccination booster programme, NHS West Sussex CCG are currently working with their Primary Care and community colleagues to rapidly increase capacity to allow them to meet the task of vaccinating all adults by the end of December. They appreciate that Members will have a number of questions and queries from local residents and have committed to providing you with as much information as possible on how they are delivering the programme. Please find attached to this email a briefing to keep you up to date on the current position with more detail around local plans being provided later this week.

### **South Downs News**

Please find the latest edition of the 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/>

09 December 2021 - [Council confirms introduction of flexible season tickets and updated parking charges](#)

