

Member Information Service

Decisions made by Cabinet Members

The following decision has been made by the Cabinet Member for Planning and will take effect at 10.00a.m. on Thursday 25 August 2022, 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, in addition to making a written request to the Monitoring Officer, Tom Clark.

Transfer of S106 Total Access Demand (TAD) Contributions To West Sussex County Council

The Cabinet Member for Planning authorised the decision that £25,260.65 be transferred from the contributions received relating to the development on the south side of Rocky Lane to fund this survey.

A copy of the report is attached to this email. In due course, the report will be an Executive Decision which can be found [here](#).

Committee Meetings

The Programme of Meetings for 2022-23 was agreed at Annual Council.

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 2022

~~18 August – District Planning Committee @ 2pm~~ – **Please note that this meeting has been cancelled due to lack of business.**

22 August – Cabinet Grants Panel @ 4pm

SEPTEMBER 2022

8 September – Planning Committee @ 4pm

12 September – Cabinet @ 4pm

13 September – Liquor Licensing Panel @ 10am

14 September – Scrutiny Committee for Community, Leisure, and Parking @ 7pm

15 September – District Planning Committee @ 2pm

19 September – Cabinet Grants Panel @ 4pm – **Please note this is an additional meeting.**

20 September – Audit Committee @ 7pm – **Please note the new time for this meeting.**

21 September – Scrutiny Committee for Leader, Deputy Leader and Housing and Customer Services @ 7pm.

~~22 September – Scrutiny Committee for Housing, Planning and Economic Growth @ 7pm~~ – **Please note that this meeting has been cancelled due to lack of business.**

28 September – Charity Trustees & Council @ 6:45pm & 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

Cabinet Grants Panel – 22 August 2022 @ 4pm

Corporate Grants Scheme – Release S106 Contributions.

Corporate Grants Schemes – Recommissioning of Community Support and Advice Provision.

Microbusiness Grant Scheme 2022/23.

End of Grant – Microbusiness Grant Scheme 2020/21.

Member Development Learning

Planning Training

All of the Planning Training sessions have now concluded. A new folder containing the training slides and recordings from all sessions in one place has now been circulated to all Members. Please email committees@midsussex.gov.uk should you have any difficulties in accessing the folder.

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

Information and News

COVID-19 News

Covid is now endemic, and we are working to live with it. Covid rates in West Sussex and across the UK have continued to fall in the last week. The West Sussex rate now averages about 80 cases per 100,000 with the two new Omicron variants accounting for all these cases now past the peak of mid-July 2022.

People are advised to remain cautious in busy indoor areas where ventilation is important. Mask wearing in busy indoor settings is also still advised (and now mandatory again in all NHS settings) together with regular handwashing.

The number of people in hospital with Covid in the UK is now below 12,000 but deaths within 28 days of a positive Covid test have risen and now average about 140 cases per day in the UK reflecting the higher Covid rates of Mid July 2022.

Those with Covid symptoms are asked to self-isolate until those symptoms have passed to safeguard others. Lateral Flow tests will indicate when you are most infectious with Covid.

The best way to avoid serious illness from a Covid infection is to maintain the benefits of vaccination. Everyone 5 and over is eligible for a Covid vaccination. Those over 75 and Covid vulnerable people 12 and over who have had the second booster vaccination are showing additional protection against Covid infection and those eligible who have not yet had their booster are urged to come forward. Second booster vaccinations will be offered to everyone 50 and over from September 2022 with contact being made with eligible people for this further vaccination.

In West Sussex about 7% of the population 12 and over remain without any Covid vaccinations and those people continue to be encouraged to come forward to get their first vaccination.

Being fully vaccinated makes overseas travel more straightforward and reduces the need for privately sourced Covid tests as part of some overseas travel requirements.

Please see the latest public data from West Sussex [here](#).

Net Zero - Virtual Member Briefing Invitation

Following the adoption of our Sustainable Economy Strategy, the Council has commissioned a globally recognised consultancy, Ricardo, to analyse and advise on Mid Sussex's work towards carbon net zero.

Using Ricardo's analysis, Officers are currently working to create draft net zero target recommendations for both the Council and the District.



The draft net-zero target recommendations will be presented to the Council at its meeting on in November 2022, following discussion at the Scrutiny Committee for Planning, Economic Growth and Net Zero on the 5 October 2022.

Given the importance of this work the Leader would like to invite all Members to a workshop to present the Ricardo analysis and draft net-zero target recommendations to you.

The workshop will take place virtually at: **6pm on Tuesday 6th September 2022.**

Please give any apologies to chiefexecutiveoffice@midsussex.gov.uk

Councillor Personal Safety Webinar

As part of the Local Government Association's (LGA's) Civility in Public Life Programme, they are hosting a series of webinars on councillor personal safety and handling online abuse and intimidation. The first programme has been devised for councillors who want to improve their awareness of personal safety.

Built around the role of the elected member, the session will offer practical advice and guidance. Included within the webinar are references to surgeries, canvassing, home visits and managing unexpected doorstep visitors.

The first webinar will be held on Monday 19 September 2022 at 5.30pm-7.00pm. The webinar is free to all councils, the following Promo code should be used to sign-up **PSC1909**.

Webinar:

<https://lgaevents.local.gov.uk/lga/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=549619&eventID=1584&CSPCHD=00300100000ovea5DxdVpsJiYzJHS95eY18wRo8t8l0qmwIbe>

Modern Slavery and Exploitation Helpline

Our Communities Directorate would like to promote to professionals the free, confidential, 24/7 UK national Helpline with advice and help for everyone, run by charity @UnseenUK.

08000 121 700 [modernslaveryhelpline.org](https://www.modernslaveryhelpline.org)

The Modern Slavery & Exploitation Helpline website: <https://www.modernslaveryhelpline.org/>

Unseen Professional's App

On the Unseen app, which can be particularly helpful for professionals to have on their phone there are reminders about what to look out for in terms of modern slavery indicators. It is also a channel through which you can contact the helpline: <https://www.unseenuk.org/about-modern-slavery/download-the-app/>

Charity Music Night in support of Kangaroos Fun Disability Clubs

The Chairman, Councillor Margaret Belsey is hosting an evening of swing music in aid of her chosen local Sussex charity Kangaroos Fun Disability Clubs.

The Swing Ninjas will be performing a mix of New Orleans and UK Swing at the Chequer Mead Theatre, East Grinstead on **Thursday 20 October 2022 at 7pm.**

Tickets are available to buy now at www.chequermead.org.uk priced at £20, with a half-price ticket option for children under 16.



The Swing Ninjas are a high energy swing band with a modern musical flair. Their vocal harmonies and highly skilled performances breathe new life into classic swing tunes and bring the spirit of New Orleans straight to East Grinstead. It promises to be a lively and entertaining evening and a great way to support a fantastic local charity. Any assistance in publicising this event would be greatly appreciated as would your support in attending on the evening.

Please click [here](#) for the poster.

South Down News

Please see the latest news on the South Downs through the link below:

[Win a free day out for a farming adventure and more than £600,00 invested in a range of new nature-friendly farming projects.](#)

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/>

12 August 2022 – [Council decision to adopt Site Allocations Plan reaffirmed after legal threat](#)

16 August 2022 – [Pre-loved uniform giveaway in Haywards Heath](#)

