

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 February and March are listed below:

FEBRUARY 2024

28 February – Charity Trustees Meeting @ 6.45pm Please note this is an additional meeting.

28 February – Council @ 7pm

MARCH 2024

~~4 March – Standards Committee @ 7pm Please note this meeting has been rescheduled to 18 March.~~

07 March – District Planning Committee @ 2pm Please note the new date.

11 March – Cabinet @ 1pm

13 March – Licensing Sub Committee A @ 2pm Please note this is an additional meeting.

14 March – Planning Committee @ 4pm

18 March – Standards Committee @ 7pm Please note the new date.

19 March – Audit Committee @ 7pm

21 March – District Planning Committee @ 2pm

27 March – Council @ 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

Charity Trustees Meeting – 28 February @ 6.45pm

Request for Funding for the Haywards Heath and Beech Hurst Bowls Club New Storage Facility (Charity Number 305202).

Beech Hurst Gardens Tennis Courts.

Council – 28 February @ 7pm

Draft Corporate Plan and Budget 2024-25.

Motions on Notice - Amendment to Budget. S151 Officers Advice - Impact of Motion on Notice: Budget Amendment.

Absence Due To Ill-Health.

District Planning Committee – 07 March @ 2pm

Recommended for Approval

DM/23/3182 - Burgess Hill Northern Arc, Land North And North West Of Burgess Hill, Between Bedelands Nature Reserve In The East And, Goddard's Green Waste Water Treatment Works In The West, RH15 8RA - Reserved matters application pursuant to outline application DM/21/3279, to consider access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale with respect to the provision of a Centre for Community Sport with ancillary facilities at land west of Burgess Hill between the A273 and Gatehouse Lane, Burgess Hill, West Sussex designated for the Centre for Outdoor Sport (Amended plans/documents received regarding noise, pavilion elevations, fencing, drainage and landscaping). <https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/simpleSearchResults.do?action=firstPage>

Member Development Learning

Member Development sessions are detailed below.

Date	Time	Learning
March	5.30pm – 8pm	Carbon Literacy Training – This training is a set course of three sessions in March. Attendance is by prior agreement with Democratic Services as a set number of spaces are available.
Thurs 7 March	6.30pm	Housing - This training is for all Members to attend.

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

Government restrictions on LAs setting Energy Performance Targets through Local Plans

As you know the Council has advocated for higher environmental standards and the emerging planning policy position set out in the draft District Plan is something which our Councillors strongly support. Unfortunately, the impact of the [13 December Written Ministerial Statement](#) (WMS), restricts the ability of local authorities to set energy performance metrics beyond Building Regulations, other than within the limited SAP framework. This impacts on the innovative policy approach this Council wants to take in the draft District Plan to achieve net zero buildings.

The Town and Country Planning Association invited local authorities and supportive organisations to be co-signatories of a joint letter to the Secretary of State advocating against the WMS.

The Leader and the Cabinet Member for Sustainable Economy and Housing have signed the letter which has been submitted and can be found here: <https://www.tcpa.org.uk/joint-letter-to-the-secretary-of-state-regarding-the-13-december-written-ministerial-statement/>.

Lewes District Local Plan – Preferred Policy Directions and Options for Growth Consultation (Regulation 18)

Lewes District Council recently published the “Lewes District Local Plan – Preferred Policy Directions and Options for Growth Consultation”.

The Leader of the Council submitted a response to the consultation, a copy of which is attached to this email for reference.

Panel Member Recruitment

Mid Sussex District Council is currently seeking local residents to join the following two independent panels and would be grateful if you could share the details with any interested residents. **The closing date for applications is Thursday 29 February.**

[Independent Person on Standards Committee – To work alongside the Standards Committee and promote high standards in public life.](#)

[Independent Remuneration Panel Member – To advise the Council on the level and type of allowances to be paid to Councillors.](#)

High Weald Story Map

A new interactive [High Weald story map](#) has been launched to help you find out more about the High Weald’s designation as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and how people are looking after the area.