

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 Monday 22nd March 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, in addition to making a written request to the Monitoring Officer, Tom Clark.

Asset of Community Value - Orion Cinema

The Deputy Leader authorised the decision not to list Orion Cinema, Burgess Hill on the list of Assets of Community Value held by Mid Sussex District Council.

Amendment to The Banded Income Council Tax Support Scheme for 2021/22

The Cabinet Member for Customer Services agreed:

- 1. That, in line with Housing Benefit, the one off payment of £500 is disregarded for Council Tax Support.
- 2. That Minimum Income Floor for new Council Tax Support claims which was relaxed during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, comes into force for Council Tax Support from the 1st August 2021 in line with changes to Universal Credit.
- 3. That the published Council Tax Support Scheme (Appendix 1) for 2021/22 be approved accordingly.
- 4. That the Cabinet Member for Customer Services in consultation with the Head of Corporate Resources be given delegated authority to amend the Council's Council Tax Support scheme during 2021/22 to mirror any Housing Benefit changes.

A copy of the report is attached to this email. In due course, the report will be an Executive Decision which can be found <u>here</u>.

Information and News

2021 Census Update

The run up to the national census on 21 March has now started, with widespread advertising across the media. Households across the district will already be receiving a mailshot explaining what they need to do to complete the census form.



Members may have seen an article that appeared on page 13 of the Mid Sussex Times dated 4 March alluding to additional support being available through the West Sussex Library Service. Please be advised that this article is erroneous and does not apply to the Mid Sussex area. West Sussex County Council applied for support funding to provide a county wide census support service through its libraries, but only received sufficient monies to cover Chichester, Arun and Adur/Worthing districts. Whilst Crawley has a dedicated Census Support Centre provided directly by the Office for National Statistics, Mid Sussex and Horsham districts have been left out of the library support arrangements.

Members who regularly read the Mid Sussex Times will be aware that since the start of the pandemic it has featured a lot of pan Sussex content, and it appears that it has picked up a West Sussex County Council press release intended for the coastal districts and published it.

If Members are contacted by constituents about the census then they should advise them to visit www.census.gov.uk or call the national helpline number: 0800 141 2021. This advice has been placed on the MSDC website home page and will be given out by the contact centre.

For further information about the census, please contact the Assistant Census Liaison Manager, Keith Stanton.

Guidance on Census Field Operation for Police forces and for Trading Standards

Please find the link <u>here</u> to the guidance on Census Field Operation for Police forces and for Trading Standards, relating to the Census 2021.

