

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

THE COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMONS AND AGENDA

for the meeting to be held on Tuesday, 23 May 2017 at 10.00a.m. in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Hertford.

GROUP MEETINGS

Conservative Group	9.00 a.m.	23 May 2017 Council Chamber
Liberal Democrat Group	8.30 a.m.	23 May 2017 Committee Room A
Labour Group	9.00 a.m.	23 May 2017 Group Room

PRAYERS at 9.50 a.m.

Prayers led by The Reverend John Russell, Vicar of Great Gaddesden, Little Gaddesden and Nettleden parishes

Members are reminded that all equalities implications and equalities impact assessments undertaken in relation to any matter on this agenda must be rigorously considered prior to any decision being reached on that matter.

Members are reminded that:

- (1) if they consider that they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting they must declare that interest and must not participate in or vote on that matter unless a dispensation has been granted by the Standards Committee;
- (2) if they consider that they have a Declarable Interest (as defined in paragraph 5.3 of the Code of Conduct for Members) in any matter to be considered at the meeting they must declare the existence and nature of that interest but they can speak and vote on the matter.

PART I (PUBLIC) AGENDA

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

To elect a Chairman of the Council to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council next following (22 May 2018).

2. ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

To elect a Vice-Chairman of the Council to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council next following (22 May 2018).

3. MINUTES

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21 March 2017 (circulated separately).

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. ELECTION OF COUNTY COUNCILLORS

The Chief Legal Officer, as Returning Officer, formally to report the return of County Councillors at the Elections held on 4 May 2017 for each of the 78 County Electoral Divisions.

[Note: A list giving the names of the County Councillors and the electoral divisions for which they are elected is attached to this Agenda].

6. APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

To appoint a Leader of the Council in accordance with Section 7 of the Constitution to hold office for the period ending with the day of the Annual Meeting of the Council following the next ordinary election of County Councillors in May 2021.

7. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES AND COUNTY COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

Report of the Chief Legal Officer
(attached)

8. APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT PERSON

Report of the Chief Legal Officer
(attached)

9. REVIEW OF POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY

Report of the Chief Legal Officer
(attached)

Please Note: The report contains a proposal for the disapplication of the political balance rules set out in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and for the approval of alternative arrangements in relation to the Council's Overview and Scrutiny and Health Scrutiny Committees.

If Council wishes to adopt these alternative arrangements it will need to agree to do so at the meeting with no member voting against.

10. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

The Council is asked to appoint County Councillor members to serve on the following Committees for the ensuing year (save as mentioned below):

- Audit (10 [6:3:1])
- Development Control (10 [7:2:1]) – *and Substitute Members*
- Employment (5 [3:1:1])
- Health & Wellbeing Board (*Leader of the Council's nominations*)
- Health Scrutiny (10 [7:2:1]) * (*Note (1)*)
- Overview and Scrutiny (10 [7:2:1])* (*Note (2)*)
- Pensions (10 [7:2:1])
- Standards (5 [3:1:1])

(members to remain in office unless there is a resolution to the contrary at a future Annual Meeting of the Council)

**Political Proportionality to be waived*

- [Notes: (1) *In addition the Committee comprises 10 District Councillors nominated by the Hertfordshire Leaders Group.*
- (2) *In addition the Committee comprises 4 Parent Governor and 2 Church Representatives who are only able to vote on any question which relates to any education functions which are the responsibility of the Executive].*

11. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

To appoint the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the following Committees for the ensuing year:

- Audit
- Development Control
- Employment
- Health & Wellbeing Board (*appointment of Chairman only, Vice-Chairman is appointed by the Board*)
- Health Scrutiny
- Overview and Scrutiny
- Pensions
- Standards

12. APPOINTMENT TO JOINT COMMITTEES

To appoint a representative to serve on:

- The Hertfordshire Police and Crime Panel
- The LGPS Access Joint Committee

13. REPRESENTATION ON THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION AND COUNTY COUNCIL'S NETWORK

To appoint four representatives to serve on the Local Government Association General Assembly, four representatives to serve on the County Council's Network until the Annual Meeting of the Council next following (22 May 2018), and to determine the allocation of votes between them.



**KATHRYN PETTITT
CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER**

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