

County Council (virtual meetings from July 2020 due to Coronavirus)

Wednesday 5 May 2021

10.00 am Virtual Meeting



To: The Members of the County Council (virtual meetings from July 2020 due to Coronavirus)

Cllr Mike Best, Cllr N Bloomfield, Cllr A Bown, Cllr A Broom, Cllr M Caswell, Cllr M Chilcott, Cllr J Clarke, Cllr P Clayton, Cllr S Coles, Cllr A Dance, Cllr H Davies, Cllr M Dimery, Cllr B Filmer, Cllr D Fothergill, Cllr G Frascini, Cllr A Govier, Cllr A Groskop, Cllr D Hall, Cllr P Ham, Cllr M Healey, Cllr N Hewitt-Cooper, Cllr J Hunt, Cllr James Hunt, Cllr D Huxtable, Cllr M Keating (Vice-Chair), Cllr A Kendall, Cllr C Lawrence, Cllr M Lewis, Cllr L Leyshon, Cllr J Lock, Cllr T Lock, Cllr D Loveridge, Cllr T Munt, Cllr T Napper, Cllr F Nicholson, Cllr G Noel, Cllr L Oliver, Cllr J Parham, Cllr C Paul, Cllr H Prior-Sankey, Cllr M Pullin, Cllr F Purbrick, Cllr L Redman, Cllr B Revans, Cllr M Rigby, Cllr D Ruddle, Cllr N Taylor (Chair), Cllr J Thorne, Cllr G Verdon, Cllr L Vijeh, Cllr W Wallace, Cllr A Wedderkopp, Cllr J Williams, Cllr R Williams and Cllr J Woodman

You are requested to attend the Annual General Meeting of Somerset County Council, to be held virtually on Wednesday 5 May 2021 at 10.00am, to transact the business set out in the attached agenda

Issued By Scott Wooldridge, Strategic Manager - Governance and Risk and Monitoring Officer - 26 April 2021

For further information about the meeting, please contact Scott Wooldridge, Monitoring Officer on 01823 357628 or 07790 577336 or swouldridge@somerset.gov.uk

Guidance about procedures at the meeting follows the printed agenda.

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AGENDA

Item County Council (virtual meetings from July 2020 due to Coronavirus) - 10.00 am
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Full Council Guidance notes

1 **Election of Chair of the Council**

To invite nominations and elect the Chair of the Council to serve until the Annual General Meeting of the Council in May 2022.

2 **Appointment of Vice-Chair of the Council**

To invite nominations and appoint the Vice-Chair of the Council to serve until the Annual General Meeting of the Council in May 2022.

3 **Apologies for Absence**

4 **Declarations of Interest**

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils can be viewed on the Council Website at [County Councillors membership of Town, City, Parish or District Councils](#) and this will be displayed in the meeting room (Where relevant).

The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via request to the Democratic Service Team.

5 **Minutes from the last meeting** (Pages 9 - 48)

Council is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

6 **Chair of Council's announcements** (Pages 49 - 50)

To receive the Chair of Council's information sheet detailing activity since the last meeting.

7 **Appointment of the Leader of the Council**

To appoint the Leader of the Council to serve until the post-election Annual General Meeting.

8 **Statement by the Leader of the Council**

To receive a statement from the Leader of the Council.

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9 **Public Question Time**

(see explanatory notes attached to agenda)

This item includes the presentation of petitions. Details of any public questions / petitions submitted will be included in the Chair's Schedule which will be made available to the members and to the public at the meeting.

For Decision

10 **Report of the Joint Independent Remuneration Panel** (Pages 51 - 80)

To consider a report by the Joint Independent Remuneration Panel regarding recommendations relating to the Scheme of Members' Allowances 2021/22.

11 **Report of the Monitoring Officer - Constitution and Appointments** (Pages 81 - 200)

To consider a report with recommendations from the Monitoring Officer relating to the annual review of the Constitution and proposed appointments to Committees and other internal and external bodies.

For Information

12 **Covid-19 update from the Chief Executive and Director of Public Health**

Council will receive a presentation

13 **Report of the Leader and Cabinet - Items for Information** (Pages 201 - 250)

To receive reports by the Leader of Council summarising key decisions taken by him and the Cabinet since the last Council meeting, and for elected members to ask questions of the Leader and Cabinet Members and to consider the following Annual Reports:

13B) Annual Report of the Leader of the Council (to follow)

13C) Annual Report of the Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Resources

13D) Annual Report of the Cabinet Member for Customers and Communities

14 **Annual Report of the Health and Wellbeing Board** (Pages 251 - 256)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

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15 **Annual Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Adults and Health Committee**
(Pages 257 - 266)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny for Policies, Adults and Health Committee.

16 **Annual Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee**
(Pages 267 - 274)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee.

17 **Report of the Scrutiny for Policies and Place Committee** (Pages 275 - 280)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny for Policies and Place Committee.