

# COUNTY COUNCIL

**Wednesday 1 March 2023**

**1.00 pm Canalside Conference Centre,  
Marsh Lane, Nr Bridgwater, TA6 6LQ**



**To: The members of the County Council**

Cllr S Ashton, Cllr S Aujla, Cllr J Bailey, Cllr J Baker, Cllr L Baker, Cllr M Barr, Cllr M Best (Chair), Cllr B Bolt, Cllr A Boyden, Cllr A Bradford, Cllr H Bruce, Cllr T Butt Philip, Cllr S Carswell, Cllr M Caswell, Cllr N Cavill, Cllr M Chilcott, Cllr N Clark, Cllr B Clarke, Cllr P Clayton, Cllr S Coles, Cllr S Collins, Cllr J Cook-Woodman, Cllr N Cottle, Cllr A Dance, Cllr D Darch, Cllr H Davies, Cllr T Deakin, Cllr D Denton, Cllr M Dimery, Cllr A Dingwall, Cllr L Duddridge, Cllr M Dunk, Cllr S Dyke, Cllr C Ellis, Cllr H Farbahi, Cllr B Ferguson, Cllr B Filmer, Cllr D Fothergill, Cllr A Govier, Cllr T Grimes, Cllr A Hadley, Cllr Pauline Ham, Cllr Philip Ham, Cllr S Hart, Cllr M Healey, Cllr B Height, Cllr A Hendry, Cllr R Henley, Cllr M Hewitson, Cllr E Hobbs, Cllr H Hobhouse, Cllr J Hunt, Cllr D Johnson, Cllr H Kay, Cllr V Keitch, Cllr A Kendall, Cllr J Kenton, Cllr T Kerley, Cllr M Kravis, Cllr C Lawrence, Cllr M Lewis, Cllr L Leyshon, Cllr T Lock, Cllr M Lovell, Cllr D Mansell, Cllr M Martin, Cllr H Munt, Cllr T Munt, Cllr M Murphy, Cllr F Nicholson, Cllr G Oakes, Cllr S Osborne, Cllr O Patrick, Cllr C Payne, Cllr K Pearce, Cllr E Pearlstone, Cllr D Perry, Cllr E Potts-Jones, Cllr T Power, Cllr H Prior-Sankey (Vice-Chair), Cllr S Pugsley, Cllr F Purbrick, Cllr W Read, Cllr L Redman, Cllr B Revans, Cllr M Rigby, Cllr T Robbins, Cllr D Rodrigues, Cllr J Roundell Greene, Cllr D Ruddle, Cllr P Seib, Cllr H Shearer, Cllr G Slocombe, Cllr B Smedley, Cllr F Smith-Roberts, Cllr F Smith, Cllr J Snell, Cllr A Soughton, Cllr M Stanton, Cllr A Sully, Cllr C Sully, Cllr L Trimnell, Cllr S Wakefield, Cllr M Wales, Cllr R Wilkins, Cllr A Wiltshire, Cllr D Woan, Cllr R Woods, Cllr G Wren and Cllr R Wyke

All Somerset County Council Members are invited to attend.

Issued By Scott Wooldridge, Monitoring Officer and Head of Governance and Democratic Services - 21 February 2023

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# AGENDA

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## Full Council Guidance notes

### 1 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

### 2 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.

### 3 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.

### 4 Chair's Announcements (Pages 11 - 12)

To receive the Chair's Announcements.

## For Decision

### 5 Report of the Leader and Executive - for decision - to follow

To consider a report with recommendations from the Leader of the Council, arising from the Executive meeting held on 27 February 2023.

(Note: Member questions to the Leader and Executive Members will be taken under this item).

### 6 Report of the Monitoring Officer (Pages 13 - 74)

To consider the following:

Paper 1 - Appointments to Somerset Council's committees

Paper 2 - Proposed calendar of meetings for 2023/24

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Paper 3 - Appointments to internal and outside bodies

Paper 4 - Appointment of Independent Persons

7 **Report of the Human Resources Committee** (Pages 75 - 86)

To consider report regarding the Pay Policy Statement for 2023/24.

8 **Requisitioned items** (Pages 87 - 88)

To consider a report setting out requisitioned items submitted for the Council's consideration.

### **For Information**

9 **Annual Report of the Standards Committee** (Pages 89 - 94)

To receive report.

10 **Annual Report of the Constitution and Governance Committee** (Pages 95 - 98)

To receive report.

11 **Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Adults and Health Committee** (Pages 99 - 102)

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

12 **Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee** (Pages 103 - 110)

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

13 **Report of the Scrutiny for Policies, Environment Committee** (Pages 111 - 120)

To receive a report by the Chair of the Scrutiny for Policies, Environment Committee.

14 **Report of the Scrutiny for Policies and Place Committee - to follow**

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

15 **Reflections from Members**

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