EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

To the Members of the County Council

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the East Sussex County Council to be held at County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes on **Tuesday 27 March 2012 at 10.00 am** to transact the following business.

- 1. Minutes of meeting held on 7 February 2012 (page 1)
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Chairman's business
- 4. Questions from members of the public
- **5.** Report of the Cabinet (page 11)
- 6. Report of the Governance Committee (page 17)
- 7. Questions from County Councillors
 - (a) oral questions to Cabinet Members
 - (b) written questions of which notice has been given pursuant to Standing Order 44
- 8. Report of the Sussex Police Authority (page 21)
- 9 Report of the East Sussex Fire Authority (page 25)
- 10 Notice of Motion

The Chairman has directed under Standing Order 36.9 that the following Notice of Motion by Councillor St Pierre shall stand referred to the County Council:

East Sussex County Council notes that there is insufficient scrutiny of current hydraulic fracturing (or fracking) operations in the UK and as a consequence these operations risk irreversibly polluting fragile water resources and established nature and tourism resources.

East Sussex County Council notes that fracking has other undesirable impacts on rural areas including significant HGV movements and risk of seismic events.

East Sussex County Council acknowledges that exploration of unconventional fossil fuel undermines the economic rationale for investing in a clean energy future.

Accordingly the Council resolves to: (a) agree to support the Government's temporary moratorium on fracking; and

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(b) request that members of the Planning Committee receive a briefing on the potential impacts of fracking prior to any planning application in relation to fracking being considered.

Note: There will be a period for collective prayers and quiet reflection in the Council Chamber from 9.30 am to 9.45 am. The Chairman would be delighted to be joined by any members of staff and Councillors who wish to attend.

County Hall St Anne's Crescent LEWES East Sussex BN7 1UE

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19 March 2012