

# EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

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**MINUTES of a MEETING of the EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL held at COUNTY HALL, LEWES on WEDNESDAY, 10 JULY 2013 at 2.30 pm.**

**Present** Councillors Barnes, Belsey, Bennett, Bentley, Birch, Blanch, Buchanan, Butler, Carstairs, Charlton, Daniel, Davies, Chris Dowling, Claire Dowling, Elkin, Ensor, Field, Forward, Galley, Glazier, Hodges, Howson, Lambert, Maynard, O’Keeffe, Phillips, Pragnell, Pursglove, Rodohan, Scott, S Shing, Shuttleworth, Simmons, Standley, Stogdon, St Pierre, Taylor, Tidy, Tutt, Ungar, Wallis, Webb, Whetstone and Wincott.

## **19 Minutes of last meeting**

19.1 RESOLVED – to confirm the minutes of the meeting of the County Council held on 21 May 2013 as a correct record.

## **20. Apologies for absence**

20.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Clark, Earl, Keeley, Sheppard and D Shing.

## **21. Declarations of Interest**

21.1 The following members declared personal interests in items on the agenda as follows:

<i>Member</i>	<i>Position giving rise to interest</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Whether interest was prejudicial</i>
Councillor Davies	Member of Rother District Council	Cabinet report, paragraph 1	No
Councillor Field	Member of Rother District Council	Cabinet report, paragraph 1	No
Councillor Maynard	Leader of Rother District Council	Cabinet report, paragraph 1	No
Councillor O’Keeffe	Owens allotment near site of Bexhill to Hastings Link Road	Cabinet report, paragraph 1	No

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Councillor Rodohan	Officer of the Federation of Small Businesses	Cabinet report, paragraph 1	No
Councillor Simmons	Council's representative and Director of East Sussex Energy and Infrastructure and Development Ltd (trading as Sea Change Sussex)	Cabinet report, paragraph 1	No

## **22 Cabinet Report – Bexhill to Hastings Link Road**

22.1 The Chairman reported that a revised version of Appendix 4 of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment's report circulated with the agenda had been tabled together with the Cabinet's report, including its recommendation.

22.2 The following motion, to adopt paragraph 1 of the Cabinet report, was moved by Councillor Glazier and seconded:

*(1) to note the increase in costs associated with the construction of the Bexhill to Hastings Link Road;*

*(2) to agree to vary the Capital Programme as set out in the revised version of Appendix 4 (which was tabled at the meeting) of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment's report with the effect of increasing the Council's capital contribution to the Bexhill to Hastings Link Road scheme by £7.19m for current construction costs, as well as provision for construction and protestor risks of £6.161m; and*

*(3) to note that Department for Transport final funding has now been confirmed in relation to Cabinet's decision in December 2012, delegating to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment the authority and all necessary powers to vary the contract for the construction of the Link Road, and to authorise the commencement of phase 2 of the works to construct the Link Road once final funding has been confirmed*

A recorded vote on the motion was requested and taken. The motion was CARRIED, the votes being cast as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Councillors Barnes, Belsey, Bennett, Bentley, Birch, Buchanan, Carstairs, Charlton, Daniel, Davies, Chris Dowling, Claire Dowling, Elkin, Ensor, Forward, Galley, Glazier, Hodges, Howson, Maynard, O’Keeffe, Phillips, Pragnell, Pursglove, Scott, Simmons, Standley, Stogdon, Taylor, Tidy, Webb, Whetstone and Wincott

AGAINST THE MOTION

None

ABSTENTIONS

Councillors Blanch, Butler, Field, Lambert, Rodohan, Shuttleworth, St. Pierre, Tutt, Ungar and Wallis

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 15.50 pm

The reports referred to are included in the minute book