

Summons

To all Members of Essex County Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the County Council to be held as shown below to deal with the business set out in the Agenda.

10:30	Tuesday, 25 May 2021	Chelmsford Sports and Athletics Centre. CM1 2EH,
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Prayers The meeting will be preceded by Prayers led The Right Reverend Hugh Allan O. Praem, the Titular Abbot of Beeleigh and Chaplain to the Chairman of Essex County Council.

		Pages
1	Election of Chairman	
2	Appointment of Vice-Chairman	
3	Apologies for Absence	
4	Declarations of Interest To note any declarations of interest to be made by Members in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct	
5	Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2021	4 - 36

6 Public Speakers

7	Chairman's Announcements and Communications	
8	Petitions	
9	Return of members elected and proportionality The Chief Executive to report on: a) the return of members elected, b) the notification of the memberships of the political Groups, c) the consequent political proportionality on committees and d) the names of Group Leaders and their Deputies	37 - 44
10	Leader and Cabinet a) To elect the Leader of the Council b) To receive notification from the newly-elected Leader of the appointment of the Cabinet, including the Deputy Leader of the Council, the powers delegated to them and the appointment of Deputies	
11	To note the Political Groups' appointments to committees report to follow	
12	To appoint the Chairmen of Committees	45 - 45
13	Other Appointments a) To receive notice from the Leader of the Council of the three County Council nominations to the Health and Wellbeing Board, b) to appoint the County Council's representative on the Essex Police, Fire and Crime Panel and c) to appoint the County Council's representative on the Essex Pension Fund Advisory Board.	46 - 46
14	Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report	47 - 68
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18	Clarification of answers provided to written questions asked by Members of the Council	

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