

COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION BULLETIN

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INFORMATION ITEM	Pages
<p>1 Delegated Planning Decisions</p> <p>Delegated planning decisions for the week beginning 11 November 2024 are attached. Contact for enquiries: Hamish Walke, Acting Group Manager (Development Management) on hamish.walke@crawley.gov.uk.</p>	5 - 6
<p>2 Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders</p> <p>The following documents are attached in relation to Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders. Winchester Road, Tilgate (Appendix A). Celandine Close, Broadfield (Appendix B). 	7 - 12
<p>3 Cancellation of Road Closure: Haslett Avenue East, Three Bridges</p> <p>The road closure scheduled for Haslett Avenue East between 18 November to 21 November has been cancelled. The original public notice is attached for information.</p>	13 - 14
<p>4 Tilgate Magical Christmas</p> <p>Tilgate Park will be hosting a Magical Christmas at the Walled Garden including Santa's Grotto, theatre shows, funfair rides, escape room for children, market stalls, food and drink traders.</p> <p>The dates are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saturday 30 November and Sunday 1 December Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 December Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 December Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday 20 to 23 December 	



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In addition, there are wreath making workshops on 24 December, 1 and 8 December.

Visitors can book online at [Tilgate Park's Magical Christmas \(tilgateparkchristmas.co.uk\)](http://tilgateparkchristmas.co.uk).

5 **Change to Membership: Overview and Scrutiny Commission**

In accordance with Paragraph 2.1(p) of the Full Council Procedure Rules contained within the Constitution, and in concurrence with the wishes of the political group, the Head of Governance, People & Performance has made the following change to the membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission:

- Councillor Barrott to be replaced with Councillor Pritchard.

This change takes immediate effect.

6 **Change to Membership: Employment Panel**

In accordance with Paragraph 2.1(p) of the Full Council Procedure Rules contained within the Constitution, and in concurrence with the wishes of the political group, the Head of Governance, People & Performance has added Councillors Bidwell and Ramsey to the Conservative pool of Employment Panel members.

This change takes immediate effect.

7 **Changes to Registers of Interests on CBC Webpages**

In the coming weeks, there will be visual changes to how Councillors' Registers of Interests are displayed on the CBC 'Democracy' webpages. Registers of Interests will no longer be uploaded as PDFs, but will instead be embedded on the webpages. This will make the forms/webpages more compliant with accessibility requirements. Please see an example [here](#) and please note there are minor differences in the content of the form compared to the old version. No action is required from Councillors.

8 **Government Consultation: Enabling Remote Attendance and Proxy Voting at Local Authority Meetings**

Government is consulting on introducing powers so that formal Local Authority meetings can be held remotely, and voting can take place by proxy in certain circumstances. This consultation will close on 18 December 2024. If Councillors would like to respond to this consultation individually they can do so via this [link](#).

9 **Southern Water's New Rivers and Seas Watch Service**

While Southern Water works hard to cut storm overflows across our region, as set out in our £1.5bn Clean Rivers and Seas Plan, it is key that communities can view information on all their storm overflow activity.

From 13 November 2024, their new [Rivers and Seas Watch service](#) replaced the Beachbuoy online monitoring tool.

Rivers and Seas Watch now includes all of their storm overflows including those inland, not just the coastal overflows.

Rivers and Seas Watch has been running in beta mode on Southern Water's website since June. During this time, they collected feedback from users, including Beachbuoy subscribers, campaign groups and local stakeholders, to ensure Rivers and Seas Watch provides relevant information in an easy to read format. Technology experts also fed into the Beachbuoy Independent Review.

Key features of Rivers and Seas Watch include:

- Enhanced user experience across different devices (mobile, laptop, desktop), making it easier to find a location, and access and understand information.
- Comprehensive and accessible information on how the service works.
- An industry-leading mapping platform, presenting information in a clean and timely way.
- Improved email notifications, including start times, impact times and the release status.
- Integration with Southern Water's overall plans to cut storm overflows, to help users understand what improvements are planned in each area.

Improving how Southern Water communicate this important information to the public in a transparent, accurate and timely way is crucial. Rivers and Seas Watch has been created following a customer-first approach, engaging extensively with the community to understand their needs, wants and feedback from Beachbuoy.

Users can [sign up for alerts](#) for their local beaches on Rivers and Seas Watch, as data protection rules mean they cannot carry previous Beachbuoy users over.

10 **Consideration Report: Calendar of Meetings 2025-2026**

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Consideration report LDS/225 of the Head of Governance, People & Performance is attached (the Calendar is attached for Councillors only).

11 **Press Releases**

Press releases are available at www.crawley.gov.uk/news.