

Candidates' Event

**Monday 27 February 2017, 6pm-8.45pm
County Hall, West Street, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1RQ**

An event for people considering standing for election in the May 2017 County Council elections, providing information on the role of elected members and an opportunity to meet with senior members and officers of the Council.

Programme

- 5.30 – 6.00 **Registration**
Light refreshments available on arrival
- 6.00 – 6.05 **Welcome & introductions**
Pat Arculus, Chairman of the Council
- 6.05– 6.15 **The County Council and what it means to be a county councillor**
Louise Goldsmith, Leader of the Council
- 6.15 – 6.30 **Vision/Strategy for West Sussex**
Nathan Elvery, Chief Executive
- 6.30 – 6.40 **Strategic role of county councillors**
Tony Kershaw, Director Law and Assurance
- 6.40 – 7.40 **Workshops**
- a) **Being an effective councillor:** Local Government Association
 - b) **Our experience:** current elected members
- 7.45 – 7.50 **Member Film**
Short film highlighting the role of elected members
- 7.50 – 8.15 **Question and Answer Session**
Member/Officer Panel, chaired by the Chairman of the Council
- 8.15 – 8.45 **Informal conversations**
An opportunity for informal conversations with political group leaders