

Draft programme for Prospective Councillor Virtual Event – December 2020

18:00	Welcome and introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why we are holding this event and session outline 	Graham Gibbens Council Chairman
18:10	What the County Council does and why we need County Councillors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of roles and responsibilities, including the strategic role of County Councillors • Working with other tiers of local government and the impact on 'dual hatters' • How business is managed – who does what and the support available to Councillors 	Ben Watts General Counsel & County Returning Officer
18:20	What it means to be a County Councillor? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What difference can Councillors make? • What a typical week looks like • Managing your time • Working virtually 	Political group leaders – TBC
18:40	Backbench Member perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why I stood for election What do I wish I knew when I stood for election? 	Panel of County Councillors – TBC
19:00	Question & Answer Session	Member/Officer panel
19:30	Close	Graham Gibbens