

Borough Council of
**King's Lynn &
West Norfolk**



COUNCIL MEETING

Agenda

Thursday, 3rd December, 2020
at 4.30 pm

**Remote Meeting on Zoom and available for
the public to view on [WestNorfolkBC on You
Tube](#)**



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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk** which will commence at **4.30 pm** on **Thursday, 3rd December, 2020** via **Remote Meeting on Zoom and available for the public to view on [WestNorfolkBC on You Tube](#)** to transact the business shown below.

Yours sincerely

Lorraine Gore
Chief Executive

BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED

1. PRAYERS

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 15 October 2020 (previously circulated).

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Please indicate if there are any interests which should be declared. A declaration of an interest should indicate the nature of the interest (if not already declared on the Register of Interests) and the agenda item to which it relates. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared, the member should withdraw from the room whilst the matter is discussed.

5. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive Mayor's communications and announcements.

6. URGENT BUSINESS

To receive any items of business which in the opinion of the Mayor are urgent.

7. DETERMINATION OF COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNTS RELATING TO SECOND HOMES AND EMPTY DWELLINGS FOR 2021/2022 (Pages 7 - 11)

8. MATTERS CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 12 - 13)

Cabinet recommendations from 22 September 2020 not dealt with at council on 15 October 2020

CAB168 Revised Revenue Budget 2020-21

CAB170 Scrutiny and Executive Protocol

9. PETITIONS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS

To receive petitions and public questions in accordance with Standing Order 9.

10. CABINET MEMBERS REPORTS

In accordance with Standing Order 11.1 to receive reports from Cabinet Members in the following order and under Standing Order 11.2 (a) Members of the Council may ask questions of the Cabinet Member on their reports and Portfolio areas:

(Councillors are reminded that this is a question and answer session not a debate.)

1) **Business Development - Councillor G Middleton** (Pages 14 - 17)

2) **Climate Change & Commercial Services - Councillor P Kunes** (Pages 18 - 19)

3) **Development - Councillor R Blunt** (Pages 20 - 24)

4) **Environmental Services & Public Protection - Councillor S Dark** (Pages 25 - 28)

5) **Housing - Councillor A Lawrence** (Pages 29 - 32)

6) **Project Delivery - Councillor P Gidney** (Pages 33 - 37)

7) **Deputy Leader and Culture, Heritage and Health - Councillor Mrs E Nockolds** (Pages 38 - 40)

8) **Leader and Resources - Councillor B Long** (Pages 41 - 43)

11. MEMBERS QUESTION TIME

In accordance with Standing Order 11.2 (b), Members of the Council may ask any questions of the Chair of any Council Body (except the Cabinet).

12. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COUNCIL BODIES

(Members are reminded this is a debate, not a question and answer session)

To consider the following recommendations to Council:

1) **Cabinet - 22 September 2020 and Cabinet Members Decision - 27 October 2020** (Pages 44 - 114)

CAB171 – Review of Standing Orders and Articles
Cabinet Members Decision on Standing Orders amendments.

Council is invited to consider the proposed amendments to Standing Orders and Articles which are attached with the agenda.

2) **Cabinet: 17 November 2020** (Pages 115 - 116)

CAB193: Statement of Licensing Policy
CAB194: Covid 19 Response and Recovery Plan
CAB197: Scheme of Delegation

13. NOTICE OF MOTION

To consider the following Notice of Motion (6/20), submitted by Councillor S Squire:

This council acknowledges that care leavers are particularly vulnerable and can be at risk of jeopardising their housing tenancies, as they do not have the ability to draw upon the support and experience that family members can provide.

Therefore this council agrees to build upon the joint housing protocol with Norfolk County Council to prioritise care leavers for housing, and the council tax discounts for care leavers, by also extending the “Care & Repair” service to Care Leavers in the Borough up until their 25th Birthday.

To consider the following Notice of Motion (7/20) submitted by Councillor J Rust:

This Council believes the way to develop a strong, resilient and successful local economy is through all residents having the opportunity to reach their full potential and supports moves to increase these chances through initiatives such as the School of Nursing.

As such this Council wishes to express its support of government policy that puts the reskilling of workers at the heart of their economic recovery plans after the pandemic. The Government's announcement to fully fund entitlement to achieve a first level 3 qualification delivered through the National Skills Fund is to be applauded.

Therefore, this Council is deeply concerned at the suggestion of the Department of Education to end Government funding to the Union Learning Fund which is open to all workers, union and non union members alike.

Therefore, this Council resolves to raise this undermining of Government

policy with local Members of Parliament and encourage them to call on the Department of Education not to proceed with the withdrawal of funding.

To consider the following Notice of Motion (8/20) submitted by Councillor A Kemp:

Decent Homes for Residents

This Council understands the importance of affordable housing space standards in all new housing. So that all rooms are of a decent size for residents and so housing meets housing need.

The Council will therefore draw up and enforce a Room Standards Policy. If Planning Applications do not meet our affordable housing space standards, the Local Planning Authority will not recommend their approval.

Lorraine Gore
Chief Executive