

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



# **COUNCIL MEETING**

## ***Agenda***

Thursday, 14th July, 2022  
at 4.30 pm

in the Assembly Room  
Town Hall  
Saturday Market Place  
King's Lynn

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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, 14th July, 2022** in the Assembly Room, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn 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 Meetings of the Council held on 25 April and 12 May 2022 (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. PETITIONS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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

## 8. 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: 21 June 2022** (Page 7)

CAB17: Planning Scheme of Delegation

## 9. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES AND INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD VACANCY (Pages 8 - 12)

## 10. NOTICES OF MOTION

- i) To consider the following Notice of Motion (4/22), submitted by Councillor S Squire:

### **“Debate Not Hate”**

This council believes that elected members should be able to undertake their roles safely without abuse, threats or intimidation. Therefore it agrees to sign as a council, the LGA “Debate Not Hate” public statement calling on local and national government with other relevant partners to form a government convened working group to produce and implement an action plan that addresses abuse and intimidation of members and candidates across all levels of national and local government.

- ii) To consider the following Notice of Motion (5/22), submitted by Councillor S Squire:

### **“Introduction of a Tourism Levy”**

This council acknowledges the valuable contribution that tourism makes to our local business economy. However, it also notes that tourism and high visitor numbers affect the level of council services that are required and used by both residents and visitors alike.

With the current financial climate and councils having to find new sources of funding, it is noted that the LGA estimate that a small flat rate tourist levy (tax) introduced by councils could increase council revenues by up to £7 million a year.

This council therefore agrees to join other councils in writing to the government, calling for the government to introduce primary legislation to

enable us to levy a tourism tax and for a working group to be set up to investigate the possibility for the introduction of a voluntary levy in the mean time.

- iii) To consider the following Notice of Motion (6/22), submitted by Councillor S Squire:

**“Provision of overnight parking for suitably equipped camper vans”**

With the National increase in holidaying at home and in particular campervan and motorhome use, together with frequent reports of campervans parking overnight in inappropriate car parks around the borough, particularly in coastal areas.

This council considers it is time to join other councils including those in Wales, Scotland and Northumberland to allow charged, overnight parking to self sufficient vehicles for a maximum 24 hour period as a transient type stopover in a selected council run car park in Hunstanton. This would be run for a trial period of one year so that council could then assess the success of the scheme.

- iv) To consider the following Notice of Motion (7/22), submitted by Councillor S Squire

**“Menopause Workplace Pledge”**

It is estimated there are some 13 million women in the UK that are currently peri or menopausal. Menopausal women are the fastest growing demographic in the workforce and almost 8 out of 10 menopausal women are in work.

This council is aware that over 50% of our workforce and 25% of our councillors are women. It recognises that peri-menopause and menopause and the wide ranging symptoms involved can be a difficult time for women, can lead to a loss of confidence which may then lead to women leaving the workforce.

This council would like to demonstrate they are fully supportive of both staff and councillors experiencing menopause and wish to be a Menopause Friendly Employer. Therefore, we agree to sign the Menopause Workplace Pledge, nominate a dedicated Menopause Champion amongst the staff and to arrange regular support and advice sessions that can be accessed by both staff and councillors.

**11. CABINET MEMBERS REPORTS (Pages 13 - 37)**

In accordance with Standing Order 11, to receive reports from Cabinet Members moved en bloc, under Standing Order 11.2 Members of the Council may ask questions of Cabinet Members on their reports and Portfolio areas.

The order of putting questions shall commence with a Member from the largest opposition group, proceeding in descending order to the smallest opposition group, followed by a non-aligned Member and finally a Member from the ruling group. This order shall repeat until the time for questions has elapsed or there are no more questions to be put.

The period of time for putting questions and receiving responses shall not exceed 50 minutes for all Cabinet Members, excluding the Leader

The period of time for putting questions and receiving responses to the Leader shall not exceed 15 minutes.

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

**Corporate Services - Councillor B Long**

**Environment - Councillor P Kunes**

**Development - Councillor R Blunt**

**Finance – Councillor A Dickinson**

**Property – Councillor A Lawrence**

**People and Communities – Councillor Sam Sandell**

**Deputy Leader and Business, Culture & Heritage – Councillor G Middleton**

**Leader - Councillor Stuart Dark – report to follow**

## **12. 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).

Lorraine Gore  
Chief Executive