

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



# **COUNCIL MEETING**

## ***Agenda***

Thursday, 26th January, 2023  
at 4.30 pm

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

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18 January 2023

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, 26th January, 2023** 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 Meeting of the Council held on 1 December 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. REVIEW OF PROPORTIONALITY (Pages 7 - 8)**

## **9. 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: 17 January 2023**

Minute extracts will follow

CAB104: West Winch Growth Area Masterplan

CAB105: Council Tax Support Scheme 2023/24 (Including Nom 11/22)

CAB107: Parkway Development Update

## **10. NOTICES OF MOTION**

i) To consider the following Notice of Motion (1/23), submitted by Councillor T Parish:

This Council recognises that a very significant commercial campaign to create a barrier across The Wash, for diverse purposes, has been launched and clearly states that the Council's view on the matter is neutral until sufficient information is available, from all appropriate sources, and that this has been considered fully and impartially.

Further, this Council will act as a receptacle and conduit for local comments and opinion about the proposal and provide help and support to local organisations to enable them to make their case for support or rebuttal. The Council will do this via a Task Group set up well prior to the May elections with the brief to determine the framework for such actions and support so that a new administration can easily pick up and continue the work.

ii) To consider the following Notice of Motion (2/23), submitted by Councillor T Parish:

'This Council receives a full briefing on the County 'devolution' Deal currently being considered by NCC and, in particular, the impact and ramifications it is likely to have on this Borough Council and its' inhabitants. The briefing to be shared with officers and employees of the authority.'

iii) To consider the following Notice of Motion (3/23), submitted by Councillor A Kemp:

The Borough Council and the Government's Devolution Deal

In 2016, this Council voted against the Government's Devolution Deal for an Elected Mayor for Norfolk and Suffolk, and an extra tier of Local Government.

Now Govt has offered a new Devolution Deal with an Elected Mayor for Norfolk, but none of the £600 million funding offered over 30 years for infrastructure or the new powers, would come to this Council or the Districts, but would all go to the County Council.

The Elected Mayor would become the County Council Leader and would have extensive Housing powers, Rights of Compulsory Purchase and Land Assembly for development, and could set up a "Mayoral Development Area" in any part of Norfolk, and a "Mayoral Development Corporation".

But Housing is the function of the Local Planning Authority.

The Devolution Deal would take away powers and funding from the District Council and centralise too much power in the hands of the County Council.

This Council will write to the Secretary of State for Communities and Levelling Up to make its views clear that it does not agree with the Deal.

**11. CABINET MEMBERS REPORTS (Pages 9 - 28)**

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 H Humphrey**

**Environment - Councillor P Kunes**

**Development - Councillor R Blunt**

**Finance – Councillor A Dickinson – to follow**

**Property – Councillor A Lawrence**

**People and Communities – Councillor Sam Sandell**

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

**Leader - Councillor Stuart Dark – 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