



# **COUNCIL MEETING**

## ***Agenda***

Thursday, 29th January, 2026  
at 5.00 pm

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

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21<sup>st</sup> January 2026

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 **5.00 pm** on **Thursday, 29th January, 2026** in the Assembly Room, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn to transact the business shown below.

Yours sincerely

Kate Blakemore  
Chief Executive

### **BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED**

**1. PRAYERS**

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**3. MINUTES** (Pages 6 - 23)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Page 24)

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. PROPORTIONALITY (Pages 25 - 27)**

**8. PETITIONS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

To receive petitions and public questions in accordance with Procedure Rule 20.

**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 - 20th January 2026 (Pages 28 - 30)**

CAB107: Risk Strategy and Policy

[Please click here to view a copy of the Cabinet report relating to this item](#)

CAB108: Safeguarding Policy

[Please click here to view a copy of the Cabinet report relating to this item](#)

CAB110: Property Disposal Policy

[Please click here to view a copy of the Cabinet report relating to this item](#)

[Please click here to view the most recent version of the Property Disposal Policy \(incorporating Cabinet amendments\)](#)

**10. COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW - KING'S LYNN TOWN COUNCIL (Pages 31 - 45)**

**11. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (Pages 46 - 48)**

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

To consider the following Notice of Motions:

**(1/26) - Submitted by Councillor Blunt**

"This Council strongly believes that Norfolk County Council Elections in May 2026 must go ahead".

**(2/26) – Submitted by Councillor Moore**

**Motion: Review of Consultant Expenditure Relating to the Lynnsport Proposal**

This Council notes the work undertaken in relation to the proposed redevelopment of the Alive Leisure Lynnsport facility, including plans to relocate the St James Pool as part of a scheme reported to be in the region of

£49 million.

This Council further notes that approximately £2 million of public funds were incurred through the use of external consultants in developing this proposal, and that the scheme was later deemed unaffordable by the Section 151 Officer.

This Council is concerned that significant expenditure was incurred before affordability concerns resulted in the project being halted. This raises questions regarding financial oversight, governance, and value for money in the development of major capital projects.

Given the importance of protecting public funds and maintaining public confidence in the Council's financial management, this matter warrants further scrutiny.

This Council resolves to:

1. Request that the Corporate Performance Panel reviews the decision making and governance processes relating to the use of external consultants in the development of the Lynnsport and St James Pool proposal.
2. Request that the Corporate Performance Panel considers whether appropriate affordability checks and financial controls were applied at an early stage.
3. Require that the findings and any recommendations are reported back to Full Council.

#### **(3/26) – Submitted by Councillor Kemp**

##### **Motion to Stop Incinerator on West Norfolk Border**

"This Council has a proud tradition of standing up against the South Lynn Incinerator - and held the public poll, in which 65,000 residents voted No. These residents have not gone away. Even after Planning Permission, Government stopped the incinerator. Residents, including Clenchwarton and West Lynn, dread the prospect of being downwind of two 90 metre high Incinerator Stacks, close to the West Norfolk border in Wisbech, one of the biggest incinerators in Europe. This Council is one of 4 "host" authorities for the Wisbech Incinerator, and instructs the leader to write to Government to halt the project."

#### **(4/26) Submitted by Councillor Kemp**

##### **Motion - No to Council Sale of the Freehold of Hardwick Bridge Residential Park Homes for Over 55's**

This Council has put the freehold of Hardwick Bridge Residential Park Homes on a list for sale on the open market, without consulting residents, or local councillors, or advising residents of the risks.

Hardwick Bridge Mobile Park Homes in South Lynn are the forever homes of retired residents. All residents must be over 55. The Government Leasehold Advisory Service has advised, the sell-off would diminish homeowners' security of tenure. Therefore this Council resolves not to sell, or otherwise dispose of, the freehold of the Hardwick Bridge Residential Homes Estate.

**13. CABINET MEMBERS REPORTS (Pages 49 - 95)**

In accordance with Council procedure rule 8, to receive reports from Cabinet Members to be moved en bloc. Members of the Council may ask up to four 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, then non aligned members, followed by 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 60 minutes for all Cabinet Members and the Leader

**Climate Change and Biodiversity – Councillor M de Whalley**

**Culture and Events – Councillor S Lintern**

**Planning and Licensing – Councillor J Moriarty**

**Environment and Coastal - Councillor S Squire**

**Finance – Councillor C Morley**

**People and Communities – Councillor J Rust**

**Deputy Leader and Business – Cllr S Ring**

**Leader - Councillor A Beales**

**14. MEMBER'S QUESTION TIME**

In accordance with Procedure rule 9, Members of the Council may ask any questions of the Chair of any Council Body (except the Cabinet).

Kate Blakemore  
Chief Executive