

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



# **COUNCIL MEETING**

## ***Agenda***

Thursday, 24th August, 2023  
at 5.30 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 **5.30 pm** on **Thursday, 24th August, 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 13 July 2023 (previously circulated).

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Page 7)**

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. BUSINESS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Questions of Chairs - except Cabinet

## **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: 1 August 2023 (Pages 8 - 13)**

CAB26: Staff pay award 2023-24

CAB28: Appointment of representatives to inquorate parishes

CAB30 and 32: Local Authority Housing Fund – Round 2

## **10. NOTICES OF MOTION**

- i) To consider the following Notice of Motion (11/23), submitted by Councillor Everett

This Council notes the Department of Transport and train operators are pushing ahead with plans to close local Railway Station ticket offices.

This Council further notes a rail prospectus carried by Norfolk County Council indicated for many people the absence of station staff and ticket offices acted as a barrier to using the railway.

This Council shares the concerns of Norfolk County Council that these closures could affect the most vulnerable people in society, who rely on ticket office staff to help them and who could struggle to use ticket machines.

Therefore, this Council agrees to lobby all local Members of Parliament to stop the closure of local ticket offices and to support Norfolk County Council in lobbying to stop the closure of all ticket offices in Norfolk.

- ii) To consider the following Notice of Motion (12/23), submitted by Councillor Osborne:

This Council believes in equality for all regardless of natural or cultural origin, and supports equality, diversity and inclusion being at the heart of its policies and procedures.

This Council seeks to support all organisations that share these same

values.

And the Borough to include promotions of Pride events alongside others held in West Norfolk annually.

- iii) To consider the following Notice of Motion (13/23), submitted by Councillor Kemp:

Getting It Right in West Norfolk  
Strategic Infrastructure in West Norfolk Motion

This Council believes in the right infrastructure, in the right place, at the right time. More than 13,000 new homes will come forward in the Local Plan, 4,000 in West Winch, West Norfolk's largest ever development.

So, this Council affirms its responsibility and intent, to do its utmost to influence and achieve timely delivery of the right strategic infrastructure underpinning new development, including doctors and dentists surgeries, sufficient hospital beds in the new QEH rebuild, necessary roads and cycle paths, energy efficient homes and Biodiversity Net Gain.

The Council will write to the Highways Authority to request a strategic highway assessment of the impact of new development on the circulation of traffic around King's Lynn and West Norfolk, including the A10 and the A149.

## **11. CABINET MEMBERS REPORTS (Pages 14 - 51)**

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.)**

**Business – Councillor A Beales**

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

**Environment and Coastal - Councillor S Squire**  
**Finance – Councillor C Morley**  
**Property & Corporate Services – Councillor B Anota**  
**People and Communities – Councillor J Rust**  
**Tourism Events and Marketing – Cllr S Ring**  
**Deputy Leader Development and Regeneration – Councillor J Moriarty**

**Leader - Councillor T Parish**

**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