

COUNCIL

A meeting of Council will be held at Hudson Leisure Centre, Harecroft Road, Wisbech, Cambs PE13 1RL on WEDNESDAY, 19 MAY 2021 at 4.00 PM and I request you to attend accordingly for transaction of the following business:

Whilst this meeting will be held in public, we encourage members of the public to view the meeting via our YouTube channel due to the current Covid-19 restrictions

- 1 To receive apologies for absence.
- 2 To elect a Chairman for the period to the next Annual Meeting and to resolve that an allowance of £4,116 plus travelling expenses be paid to the person elected.
- 3 To elect a Vice-Chairman for the period to the next Annual Meeting and to resolve that an allowance of £1,000 plus travelling expenses be paid to the person elected.
- 4 Previous Minutes (Pages 5 - 24)

To confirm and sign the minutes of 23 February 2021.

- 5 To receive any announcements from the Chairman of the Council and/or the Head of Paid Service.
- 6 Meetings of the Council 2021/22

To determine that:

1. The Annual Meeting of the Council in 2022 be held on:

Thursday 12 May 2022

2. The ordinary meetings of the Council in 2020/21 to be held as follows:

Thursday 16 September 2021

Wednesday 8 December 2021

Thursday 24 February 2021

- 7 To receive members' declaration of any interests under the Local Code of Conduct or any interest under the Code of Conduct on Planning Matters in respect of any item to be discussed at the meeting.
- 8 To receive questions from, and provide answers to, councillors in relation to matters which, in the opinion of the Chairman, accord with the provisions of Procedure Rules 8.4 and 8.6.
- 9 To receive reports from and ask questions of Cabinet members with portfolio holder responsibilities, in accordance with Procedure Rules 8.1 and 8.2.
- 10 Motion submitted by Councillor Tierney (Pages 25 - 28)

Motion submitted by Councillor Tierney regarding the Fens Biosphere.
- 11 Committee Balance, Political Balance and Allocation of Seats. (Pages 29 - 48)

To agree the committee structure and terms of reference for the forthcoming municipal year as well as confirming the allocation of seats to those committees and also to outside bodies in accordance with political proportionality rules and to receive notification of the appointments to them (where known)
- 12 Combined Authority Membership and Other Appointments (Pages 49 - 54)

To request the Council to make appointments to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority for the municipal year 2021/2022.
- 13 Review of Members Allowances Scheme (Pages 55 - 68)

To present to Council the conclusions and recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) in respect of its review of the current Members' Allowances Scheme.
- 14 Electoral Review for Fenland District Council (Pages 69 - 76)

For Members to consider and agree to approach the Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBCE) for England to request an Electoral Review of Fenland District Ward Boundaries in time for this review to inform the 2023 Fenland District Council elections.
- 15 Resolution to Approve Reasons for Absence Under s.85 of the Local

Government Act 1972 (Pages 77 - 80)

This report requests that Council pass a resolution under s.85 of the Local Government Act 1972 ("the 1972 Act") in respect of all members and until the day after the date of the 2022 Annual General Meeting unless otherwise agreed.

Fenland Hall
March



Chief Executive

Tuesday, 11 May 2021

NOTE The Council may, by resolution, as exemplified below, exclude the public from a meeting during the consideration of any item of business whenever it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that, if members of the public were present, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Section 100 I of the Local Government Act, 1972

"Resolved that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for Item No./Minute No. on the grounds that the item involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act"