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Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council

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Dear Councillor,

Please see overleaf a Supplementary Agenda for the meeting of the **COUNCIL** on **TUESDAY**, **7 AUGUST 2018** at **6.30 pm**.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Owen Democratic Services Officer

COUNCIL - 7 AUGUST 2018 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

8. LEADER OF THE COUNCIL'S POSITION STATEMENT

In my position statement tonight I'm going to acknowledge some of the hard work and dedication of our officers and to share some examples of what they do on a daily basis on behalf of the people of this Borough.

I want to start with my view of how officers dealt with the events surrounding the sad death of Isla Tansey. As you know Isla and her family, Simon, Katherine and Harrison, were awarded a special Making a Difference award earlier this year for bringing #islastones to us all.

When news of her death reached people they chose to use the Argents Mead bandstand as a memorial. HBBC officers were quick to sympathise with this coming together of the community. They removed council banners, brought water for floral tributes and let events take their course.

But our officers didn't stop there. They continued to work with Isla's family in support of the day of celebration, setting up the exhibition which opened today in the Atkins Gallery, and working towards providing a lasting tribute to Isla.

Our Environmental Health team have had to work alongside the police in dealing with two fatalities in the borough under health and safety regulations, one of which led to a police prosecution and conviction, the other led to a health and safety prosecution with a fine and costs awarded.

This same team protect our residents on a daily basis, making sure that when we visit local restaurants the food hygiene standards are as high as they can be, making food safe to eat. Also they help businesses with advice and inspections to improve health and safety in the workplace.

Thirdly I want to mention our Children and Young People's service and events staff, who have just served up the best snapdragon festival ever. Ratby, Witherley, Bagworth and Dadlington were able to experience snapdragon this year, whilst the week in Hinckley, in sometimes scorching hot weather, was again an outstanding success.

The work and preparation which goes into these events should not be under-estimated, and I know that officers put everything into running them for our community.

When other councils are saying that HBBC should be scrapped, I know they are wrong, I know that bigger will not be better, I know that local communities need local people working in local councils and caring for the people they serve.

Our officers care about the community they work in, often it's also the community they live in, and without their commitment our role as councillors would be made much harder

That is what we have in Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council and that is why tonight I have brought a motion to seek Council's support to work with other local authorities to deliver a better alternative to the re-organisation model being proposed by Leicestershire County Council.

We have a short agenda this evening and together with the constitutional update and motion from Cllr Witherford I hope they will all receive very good support by members of this Council.

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10. ANNUAL REVIEW OF CONSTITUTION

Correction to appendix 1 (incorrect wording copied over):

Part 2f F (p45) 8	Para 3.2	The Head of Planning has delegated authority to:	The Head of Planning has delegated authority to:
		 Development management Determine variations to S106 agreements and unilateral undertakings in consultation with the Legal Services Manager and the chairman of the Planning Committee 	 Development management Determine variations to S106 agreements and unilateral undertakings in consultation with the Legal Services Manager
			Reason: For consistency

11. MOTIONS RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 17

(b) Motion from Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Morrell

Amended proposed resolution from Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Morrell:

"Council therefore resolves that:

- 1) This Council does not believe that it is in the best interests of borough residents to scrap HBBC in favour of a unitary council for Leicestershire;
- This Council will undertake a survey to consult with Hinckley residents to see if they are in favour of the introduction of a town council. If so, we commit to a full governance review to enable its introduction;
- 3) This Council will work with all other Leicestershire authorities to evaluate a range of options on how best to deliver local government services in Leicestershire;
- 4) This Council will work with other East Midlands councils to consider the options for a combined authority / strategic alliance and to determine what powers this would seek."

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