

**HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH
BOROUGH COUNCIL**



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**AGENDA FOR THE
MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY, 30 JANUARY 2024

AT 6.30 PM

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Thank you

Bill Cullen MBA (ISM), BA(Hons) MRTPI
Chief Executive



**Hinckley & Bosworth
Borough Council**

Date: 22 January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

I hereby summon you to attend a meeting of the Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council in the Council Chamber at these offices on **TUESDAY, 30 JANUARY 2024 at 6.30 pm**

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'RK Owen'.

Miss RK Owen
Democratic Services Manager

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies**
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting (Pages 1 - 10)**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2023.
3. **Additional urgent business by reason of special circumstances**

To be advised of any additional items of business which the Mayor decides by reason of special circumstances shall be taken as matters of urgency at this meeting. Items will be considered at the end of the agenda.
4. **Declarations of interest**

To receive verbally from Members any disclosures which they are required to make in accordance with the Council's code of conduct or in pursuance of Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992. This is in addition to the need for such disclosure to be also given when the relevant matter is reached on the Agenda.
5. **Mayor's Communications**

To receive such communications as the Mayor may decide to lay before the Council.
6. **Questions**

To deal with questions under Council Procedure Rule number 14.
7. **Petitions**

To deal with petitions submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.
8. **Leader of the Council's Position Statement**

To receive the Leader of the Council's Position Statement.
9. **Minutes of the Scrutiny Commission (Pages 11 - 14)**

To receive for information only the minutes of the Scrutiny Commission meeting held on 14 December 2023.
10. **Public Space Protection Order (Pages 15 - 40)**

To seek approval of the new Public Space Protection Order for the borough of Hinckley & Bosworth.
11. **Proposed Amendments to Constitution (Pages 41 - 46)**

To seek approval of amendments to assist in the delivery of the climate change strategy and to update matters reserved for Council.
12. **Tourism Strategy 2024-28 (Pages 47 - 56)**

To seek approval for adoption of the Tourism Strategy 2024 – 2028.
13. **Climate Change and Biodiversity Strategy (Pages 57 - 72)**

To seek approval of the updated Climate Change & Biodiversity Strategy 2024 – 2028 and the key achievements from the 2022 – 2024 strategy.

14. **Temporary accommodation challenges (Pages 73 - 80)**

To update Council on the national crisis in relation to homelessness and to seek approval of a supplementary budget to meet the requirements.

15. **Leicester and Leicestershire Statement of Common Ground (Pages 81 - 92)**

To seek approval for signing up to the Leicester & Leicestershire Statement of Common Ground to assist in preparation of a new local plan for Hinckley & Bosworth.

16. **Changes to council body membership**

For information only: In accordance with part 2(f) paragraph 3.2 of the Council's constitution, the Chief Executive has authorised the following in-year changes to membership of council bodies:

- Councillor C Allen to replace Councillor Harris on Audit Committee
- Councillor Harris to replace Councillor C Allen on Ethical Governance & Personnel Committee
- Councillor Simmons to replace Councillor Cook on Scrutiny Commission.

17. **Motions received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17**

Motion from Councillor Cope, seconded by Councillor Cartwright:

"This council calls on the main service suppliers for water/sewage, electricity and gas, to assure this Council and the people we represent, that they as the suppliers to the borough and in fact beyond, have the resources and infrastructures in place to handle and effectively provide for not only the existing households and business premises, but also the ever increasing house builds being pressed upon us along with the huge warehouses and other business premises being put forward as a matter of urgency.

This should include statements and assurance in regard of the move towards electric vehicles, not only in private ownership, but the number of companies now operating electric delivery vehicles, and in the case of the water company the matter of discharges of raw sewage."