HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL



Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council

AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY, 8 JULY 2025

AT 6.30 PM

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Date: 30 June 2025



Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council

Dear Member

I hereby summon you to attend a meeting of the Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council in the Council Chamber at these offices on **TUESDAY**, **8 JULY 2025** at **6.30 pm**

Yours sincerely

Miss RK Owen Democratic Services Manager

AGENDA

1. Apologies

2. Minutes of the previous meetings (Pages 1 - 12)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 20 February and 13 May 2025.

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 13 - 16)

To receive for information only the minutes of the Scrutiny Commission meeting held on 13 March 2025.

10. Care experience - protected characteristics (Pages 17 - 22)

To consider adoption of care experience as a protected characteristic.

11. Business case to purchase 20 units of accommodation for temporary accommodation requirements (Pages 23 - 30)

To outline a business case and rationale to purchase 20 units of accommodation to meet homelessness demand.

12. Disposal of two HRA land assets - Beckett Avenue, Market Bosworth and Thornfield Avenue, Stoke Golding (Pages 31 - 34)

To seek approval for the disposal of two HRA land assets in the borough.

13. Business rates write offs (Pages 35 - 38)

To seek approval to write off business rates of £178,373.75.

14. Community governance review (Pages 39 - 50)

To seek approval of the terms of reference for the community governance review.

15. Overview & Scrutiny annual report 2024/25 (Pages 51 - 66)

To seek approval of the overview & scrutiny annual report 2024/25.

16. Appointments to charitable bodies

(a) Poors Platt Charity

To appoint one representative for a period of four years with immediate effect.

(b) JCC Foundation Trust Hinckley

To appoint one representative for a period of three years from July 2025.

17. Appointment of independent Persons (Pages 67 - 72)

To appoint a pool of independent persons.

Please note, the appendix to this report contains personal information about candidates so is not available to the public. Should members wish to discuss

the detail of the appendix, they will need to do so in private session.

18. Motions received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17

Motion to be proposed by Councillor MT Mullaney and seconded by Councillor P Stead-Davis

"This Council notes that many people rely on good 5G mobile signal for access to services, work and leisure. However we note concern expressed by residents in a number of areas across the Borough including Burbage, Hinckley and elsewhere about the recent installations of new masts on County Council highway land within the Borough.

The Council further notes that the last Conservative Government changed the rules that mean that these masts are now deemed permitted development and no longer require full planning consent.

This Council resolves to:

- 1. Ask the Chief Executive to write to the Deputy Prime Minister to request that these be once again subject to planning consent to allow local authorities to properly assess the proposals and consider if the sites are the most appropriate to balance the need for good 5G coverage and other material planning considerations such as impact on the streetscene.
- 2. Ask the Lead Member for Highways at Leicestershire County Council to consult the community and local councillors before undertaking any financial agreements with mobile operators for installing such masts on their land."

19. Matters from which the public may be excluded

To consider the passing of a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 excluding the public from the undermentioned item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 3 and 10 of Schedule 12A of the 1972 Act.

20. Senior management capacity review (Pages 73 - 80)

To seek approval of a senior management review.