

**HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH
BOROUGH COUNCIL**



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**AGENDA FOR THE
MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY, 18 JULY 2023

AT 6.30 PM

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Thank you



Date: 10 July 2023

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, 18 JULY 2023 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 meetings (Pages 1 - 10)**
To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18 April and 23 May 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. **Hinckley High Street Heritage Action Zone enhancements to 39 Castle Street - budget increase request (Pages 11 - 16)**

To seek support for supplementary funding towards planned works of repair, renovation and reinstatement to 39 Castle Street, Hinckley, planned as part of the Hinckley High Street Heritage Action Zone.

10. **Council house repairs backlog and pay challenges (Pages 17 - 24)**

To update on the responsive repairs backlog and challenges in recruitment and retention.

11. **Pilot Project - Housing & Respiratory Illness (Pages 25 - 30)**

To request an income and expenditure budget for a joint pilot to address housing conditions likely to exacerbate respiratory illness.

12. **Financial outturn 2022/23 (Pages 31 - 54)**

To seek approval of the financial outturn 2022/23.

13. **Achievements to the Corporate Plan 2022-23 (Pages 55 - 68)**

To present key corporate achievements made against the corporate plan 2022/23.

14. **Calendar of meetings 2024 (Pages 69 - 70)**

To seek approval of the draft calendar of meetings for January to May of the 2023/24 municipal year and for May to December of the 2024/25 municipal year.

Note: the first page has already been approved and is included for information only.

15. **Appointment to charitable bodies**

(a) Hinckley JCC foundation

To appoint one representative for a term of three years with immediate effect.

(b) Poors Platt charity, Barwell

To appoint one representative for a term of four years from September 2023.

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

(a) Motion from Councillor Cartwright, seconded by Councillor Pendlebury

"Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council notes the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) that was agreed at COP15 in December 2022. The framework contains a series of goals and targets as well as financial commitments and details on implementation to tackle the biodiversity loss this decade.

We recognise the importance of a healthy and biodiverse environment that ensures our borough's future prosperity and assists the wellbeing of all who live and work in the borough.

We therefore pledge to provide leadership and to ensure that we work with council services, partners, businesses and our communities to help reverse the decline in biodiversity.

The borough council:

1. Declares its recognition of the global biodiversity emergency and the local impact this could have on the communities, residents and businesses we serve;
2. Will refresh the Climate Change Strategy with biodiversity as a key priority, creating a single Climate Change and Biodiversity Strategy;
3. Will work in collaboration with the upper tier authority on the delivery of the county council's Nature pact and with parish councils to help deliver solutions for the ecological challenges;
4. Will expand the remit of the Climate Change Member Working Group to include the council's biodiversity emergency declaration."

(b) Motion from Councillor C Allen, seconded by Councillor Cartwright

"This motion notes the ambition of Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council to promote environmentally sustainable development and as a step in taking a lead and positive measures on this subject, proposes that:

1. This Council encourages in the strongest possible terms, that applicants submitting planning proposals for new residential and especially 'big box' commercial developments install solar panels with battery storage systems or other such sustainable power generation capacity within their developments;
2. We write to the Secretary of State requesting that the provision of renewable energy generation systems, with associated storage infrastructure, be made mandatory for all new dwellings and large scale commercial developments as part of the ongoing review of the National Planning Policy Framework and government white paper on planning policy."