

COUNCIL AGENDA
for the meeting on
Thursday 14th March, 2024 at 7.00 p.m.

1.	<u>Mayor's Announcements</u>	-
2.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u>	-
3.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>To submit for approval the minutes of the meetings of North East Lincolnshire Council held on 14th December, 2023 and 22nd February, 2024 and also the special meeting of North East Lincolnshire Council held on 13th February, 2024.</p>	-
4.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>To record any declarations of interest by any Member in respect of items on this agenda.</p> <p>Members declaring interests must identify the Agenda item and the type and detail of the interest declared.</p>	-
5.	<p><u>Question Time</u></p> <p>To consider questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's policy.</p>	-
6.	<p><u>The Leader's Statement</u></p> <p>To receive a statement from the Leader updating Council in respect of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Key issues of significance to the social, economic or environmental well-being of the area (ii) Special Urgency decisions taken in accordance with the Constitution (iii) The implementation of Motions previously resolved at the preceding Council meeting(s). 	-
7.	<p><u>Greater Lincolnshire Devolution</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Economy, Net Zero, Skills and Housing seeking to agree further steps to secure devolution to Greater Lincolnshire, including consideration of the results of the recent public consultation, review of the devolution proposal and a decision on further implementation including submission of the final Proposal to the Secretary of State with associated delegations (copy attached).</p>	9
8.	<p><u>Notice of Motion 1</u></p> <p>To consider a Notice of Motion, to be proposed by Councillor Jackson and seconded by Councillor Harness, submitted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders as set out below:</p>	-

National Grid Electricity Transmission is consulting on proposals to build approximately 140 km of new high voltage overhead electricity transmission line between Grimsby West and Walpole in Norfolk. This will support the UK's net zero target by reinforcing the electricity transmission network between the north of England and the Midlands, and facilitating the connection of planned offshore wind generation and interconnectors with other countries, allowing more energy from renewables and low carbon sources to be carried on the network.

Within North East Lincolnshire, this overhead transmission line is proposed to be routed from a new substation at Grimsby West, south between Waltham and Barnoldby-le-Beck and around Brigsley and Ashby-cum-Fenby and close to an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).

Whilst this Council welcomes this much needed upgrading of our electricity transmission infrastructure, it is concerned about the visual and environmental effects of an overhead transmission line and associated pylons and requests National Grid Electricity Transmission to place any new transmission line within the North East Lincolnshire boundary underground and/or re-route it so that it is subsea. Furthermore, our two North East Lincolnshire Members of Parliament be copied in, requesting their support and urging them to lobby as appropriate at Government level.

9. Notice of Motion 2

To consider a Notice of Motion, to be proposed by Councillor Patrick and seconded by Councillor Shutt, submitted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders as set out below:

Council will note in recent weeks that large areas of North East Lincolnshire are currently victim to high degrees of traffic chaos, caused largely by a combination of highway maintenance, utility works and ongoing delays to the planned repairs to Corporation Road bridge.

The cumulative effect of all these works is adding very large amounts of time upon what should be otherwise easy journeys through non-metropolitan areas like ours, harming our environment with standing traffic, damaging our local economy, as well as causing frustration and inconvenience to the lives of residents, including motorists and users of public transport.

The current Conservative administration has, objectively, failed to keep the traffic flowing.

Several other local authority areas have enacted fresh and ambitious plans to keep their own traffic flowing, with one such strategy being a charter to harmonise and collaborate between the local authority and utility companies to minimise traffic disruption.

North East Lincolnshire desperately needs a new strategy to meet this challenge and resolves to create our own meaningful charter, to meet the needs and expectations of our residents and businesses.

	<p><i>Council resolves to form a Select Committee to report back to Cabinet recommendations as to how this charter should be formed.</i></p> <p><i>This Select Committee will evidence recommendations through, but not limited to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Inviting affected residents and businesses to put forward their experiences and suggestions.</i> • <i>Investigating existing charters currently in use with other local authorities.</i> • <i>Explore options with our existing in-house highways team.</i> • <i>Discussing with utility companies and their partner organisations that currently operate in the borough.</i> <p><i>The Select Committee will invite representation of at least two non-Cabinet members of all political groups on Council for genuine cross-party participation.</i></p>	
10.	<p><u>Community Food Provision</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities providing a progress update on local community food provision and associated issues (copy attached).</p>	249
11.	<p><u>Pay Policy Statement 2024 – 2025</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Leader of the Council presenting the Pay Policy Statement for 2024-2025 (copy attached).</p>	255
12.	<p><u>Parish Council Community Governance Review</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets on the outcome of the third period of public consultation on the Parish Council Community Governance Review and setting out recommendations to complete the review (copy attached).</p>	267
13.	<p><u>Questions on Notice</u></p> <p>To consider any questions from Elected Members, submitted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.</p>	-
14.	<p><u>Minutes of the Cabinet and Committees of the Council</u></p> <p>To receive the minutes of decisions taken under delegated powers at the following meetings, subject to any questions asked in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders:</p> <p>Cabinet</p> <p style="text-align: right;">30th November 20th December 17th January 22nd January 14th February 21st February</p>	-

	<p>Portfolio Holder – Environment and Transport</p> <p>Portfolio Holder – Finance, Resources and Assets Budget Scrutiny</p> <p>Scrutiny Panel – Children and Lifelong Learning</p> <p>Scrutiny Panel – Communities</p> <p>Scrutiny Panel – Economy</p> <p>Scrutiny Panel – Health and Adult Social Care</p> <p>Scrutiny Panel – Tourism and Visitor Economy</p> <p>Joint Scrutiny Panel – Communities and Economy</p> <p>Health and Wellbeing Board</p> <p>Audit and Governance Committee</p> <p>Planning Committee</p> <p>Licensing Sub Committee</p> <p>Standards Referrals Panel</p> <p>Appointments Committee</p>	<p>18th December</p> <p>22nd January</p> <p>12th February</p> <p>16th January</p> <p>22nd January</p> <p>23rd January</p> <p>16th November</p> <p>25th January</p> <p>23rd November</p> <p>4th January</p> <p>28th November</p> <p>29th November</p> <p>31st January</p> <p>23rd November</p> <p>25th January</p> <p>6th February</p> <p>20th November</p> <p>1st February</p> <p>29th November</p> <p>3rd January</p> <p>31st January</p> <p>7th December</p> <p>10th January</p> <p>31st January</p> <p>21st February</p> <p>8th January</p>	
15.	<p><u>Urgent Business</u></p> <p>To receive any business which, in the opinion of the Chairman, is urgent by reason of special circumstances which must be stated and minuted.</p>		-

ROB WALSH
CHIEF EXECUTIVE