

COUNCIL AGENDA
for the meeting on
Thursday 20th March, 2025 at 7.00 p.m.

1.	<u>Mayor's Announcements</u>	-
2.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u>	-
3.	<u>Minutes</u> To submit for approval the minutes of the meetings of North East Lincolnshire Council held on 12 th December 2024 and 20 th February, 2025 and also the special meeting of North East Lincolnshire Council held on 19 th February, 2025.	-
4.	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> To record any declarations of interest by any Member in respect of items on this agenda. Members declaring interests must identify the Agenda item and the type and detail of the interest declared.	-
5.	<u>Question Time</u> To consider questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's policy.	-
6.	<u>The Leader's Statement</u> To receive a statement from the Leader updating Council in respect of: (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.	<u>Local Government Reorganisation</u> To receive a report from the Chief Executive on the above (copy to follow).	-
8.	<u>Review of the Constitution – Contract Procedure Rules</u> To consider a report from the Monitoring Officer updating the Council's Contract Procedure Rules (copy attached).	9
9.	<u>Treasury Management Policy and Strategy Statement 2025-26</u> To consider a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets presenting the restated Treasury Policy Statement and the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for approval (copy attached).	67

10.	<p><u>Dispensation – Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972</u></p> <p>To consider a report from the Chief Executive recommending the provision of a special dispensation under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 (copy attached).</p>	113
11.	<p><u>Appointment of Interim Chief Executive and Interim Section 151 Officer</u></p> <p>To consider a report from the Leader of the Council seeking approval of interim appointments to the positions of Chief Executive/Head of Paid Service and Section 151 Officer (copy attached).</p>	117
12.	<p><u>Pay Policy Statement 2025 – 2026</u></p> <p>To consider a report from the Leader of the Council presenting the pay policy statement for the period 2025/26 (copy attached).</p>	121
13.	<p><u>Notice of Motion</u></p> <p>To consider a Notice of Motion, to be proposed by Councillor Farren and seconded by Councillor Clough, submitted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders as set out below:</p> <p><i>Members will be aware that North East Lincolnshire has a much higher rate of premature mortality than the national rate and the rates of many of our regional neighbours. Alcohol is also a major cause of premature mortality locally, with alcohol related morbidity and mortality clearly associated with socioeconomic deprivation. Less than 20% of people with alcohol dependence are in treatment, this is shockingly low compared to other chronic conditions (e.g. 70% of people living with diabetes access health services).</i></p> <p><i>Alcohol problems don't only affect the person drinking, but everyone around them. As the person who drinks too much often organises their life around alcohol, the family adapts to cope with the drinking. The problem often becomes the family secret. The unspoken family rules 'Don't talk, Don't trust, Don't feel' to keep issues hidden from the outside world and protect the illusion of a 'normal' family.</i></p> <p><i>This motion is not only to raise awareness of how this issue affects our children and young people in our borough and how we as elected members can endorse and promote the organisation NACOA, (National Association For Children Of Alcoholics) who are an organisation that aims to provide support to children, young people or anyone who is affected or has been affected by a parent/s drinking.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Our vision is that every child born today in NEL will grow and live in a community that enables them to live a healthier life for longer, have a job when they leave education and achieve their full potential through life.</i> • <i>Children who grow up around alcohol problems often know no other alternative. This may be the only 'normal' they have experienced.</i> 	-

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Co-dependency, or adaptation to a dysfunctional family system is a learned behaviour which is often passed from one generation to the next.</i> • <i>80% of alcohol-dependent parents are not receiving treatment, so the majority of these children are not receiving any support from services.</i> • <i>1 in 5 children in the UK live with a parent who drinks hazardously, millions of adults are still being affected by their parents drinking or the knock-on effects of growing up in a home where alcohol was the problem.</i> • <i>Although this council respects our residents to make their own informed life and health choices, it is however our moral duty is to provide support and education.</i> <p><i>This council resolves that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>To host a NACOA training session that will be made available to all elected members, NEL employees and stakeholders such as The Comeback and With You to enable them to also gain an understanding of NACOA’s aims, objectives and vision and base their own strategies of action thereafter, this should be an ongoing focus.</i> • <i>To promote the NACOA education programme to our wider Children’s services and encourage them to collaborate with NACOA on their school’s outreach programme. Funded by Iceland Foods Charitable Foundation, NACOA are providing support for school assemblies and youth groups to let children of alcoholics know that they are not alone.</i> • <i>Ask the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education and the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care, for this programme of work to be put onto their agenda’s and working programmes, so that they can report back to full council with an impact statement and update of their future plans given the motion presented.</i> <p><i>By helping children today, we help the adults of tomorrow.</i></p>	
14.	<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>	-
15.	<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>Freshney Place Cabinet Sub Committee</p> <p>Portfolio Holder – Finance, Resources and Assets</p> <p>Portfolio Holder – Housing, Infrastructure and Transport</p> <p>Budget Scrutiny</p>	<p>11th December 2024</p> <p>15th January 2025</p> <p>12th February 2025</p> <p>12th February 2025</p> <p>20th January 2025</p> <p>16th December 2024</p> <p>10th February 2025</p> <p>20th January 2025</p>

Scrutiny Panel – Children and Lifelong Learning	21 st January 2025 14 th November 2024 16 th January 2025 5 th February 2025
Scrutiny Panel – Communities	21 st November 2024 9 th January 2025
Scrutiny Panel – Economy, Culture and Tourism	5 th December 2024 23 rd January 2025 10 th February 2025
Scrutiny Panel – Health and Adult Social Care	29 th January 2025
Scrutiny Panel – Transport, Infrastructure and Strategic Housing	12 th November 2024 14 th January 2025 18 th February 2025
Health and Wellbeing Board	18 th November 2024 17 th February 2025
Audit and Governance Committee	30 th January 2025 13 th February 2025
Planning Committee	27 th November 2024 8 th January 2025 29 th January 2025
Licensing and Community Protection Committee	5 th February 2025
Licensing Sub Committee	18 th November 2024 5 th December 2024 19 th December 2024
Standards and Adjudication Committee	5 th February 2025
Standards Referrals Panel	18 th December 2024
Appointments Committee	31 st January 2025

16.	<u>Urgent Business</u>	-
	To receive any business which, in the opinion of the Chairman, is urgent by reason of special circumstances which must be stated and minuted.	

ROB WALSH
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