Please note that before the meeting there will be a presentation at 5.30pm on the First Contact Scheme, a signposting service for vulnerable adults

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10 July 2012

To: The Mayor and Members of Melton Borough Council

Dear Sir or Madam

You are summoned to a **MEETING OF THE COUNCIL** to be held at Parkside, Station Approach, Burton Street, Melton Mowbray, LE13 1GH on **Wednesday 18 July 2012 at 6.30 p.m.**

Yours faithfully

Lynn Aisbett Chief Executive

AGENDA

Item No.	Item
1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2.	MINUTES (1) To confirm the minutes of the Meeting held on 18 April 2012; (2) To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 9 May 2012
3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Members to declare any interest as appropriate in respect of items to be considered at this meeting
4.	MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Including an update on the activities of the Young Mayor
5.	LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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6.	QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC The Leader and Chairmen of Policy Committees to answer any questions from the public of which notice has been given in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 of the Constitution.
	The following question was received from Mr J Beech for and on behalf of the Melton North Action Group on 6 July 2012:
	Question to the Leader:
	In light of the impact of the NPPF and the recent consultation process on the MBC Core Strategy, we understand that MBC has begun negotiations with consultees and relevant bodies regarding common ground or compromise which may lead to the full or partial withdrawal of objections where possible.
	Could you please tell us exactly who the negotiations are taking place with, how the public will be informed about the content and outcome of these negotiations and how this process might impact or change the Core Strategy document submitted for examination?
	Supplementary question: [submitted with the main question on 6 July 2012]
	Can you please give us the timetable of events as it now stands regarding the submission and inspection of the MBC Core Strategy.
	The Leader to respond
7.	PETITIONS
	(1) In accordance with Procedure Rule 24.1, the Chief Executive shall report the receipt of a petition to the next meeting of the Council where there shall no debate or comment thereon.
	(2) PETITIONS DEALT WITH UNDER THE STATUTORY PETITIONS SCHEME
	Petitions received under the statutory petitions scheme which contain 1,500 signatures or more will be scheduled for a Council debate. The petition is to be discussed by Councillors for a maximum of 15 minutes. The Council will decide how to respond to the petition at this meeting.
	A combined paper petition received on 6 July 2012 and an e-petition received on 8 July 2012 from local residents containing a combined 1982 signatures which states:
	"We the undersigned petition Melton Borough Council to ensure that robust security measures are put in place to prevent vandalism and theft from Melton Thorpe Road Cemetery"

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8.	RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES
9.	QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS (a) The Chairmen of Committees to answer any questions upon items of reports of Committees when those items are being received or under consideration by the Council in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10.1 of the Constitution:
To follow	Standards Committee Development Committee Policy, Finance & Administration Committee Development Committee Development Committee Ad Hoc Overview & Scrutiny Committee Governance Committee Development Committee Development Committee Development Committee Development Committee Development Committee Rural, Economic & Environmental Affairs Committee Development Committee Devel
10.	MOTIONS ON NOTICE None received by the deadline.
11.	ANNUAL REPORT ON THE TREASURY MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES AND ACTUAL PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS 2011-12 The Head of Central Services to submit a report which provides a summary of the Treasury activities in 2011-12 and covers the actual position on the Prudential Indicators in accordance with the Prudential Code.

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Appendix C and Appendix E - to follow	CONSTITUTION 2012/13 - UPDATE The Monitoring Officer to submit a report seeking Council approval to update the Constitution:
	(a) To reflect the changes to the system of regulation for standards of conduct in respect of elected and co-opted Members of the Council introduced by the Localism Act 2011 on the 1 July 2012.
	(b) To effect the consequential changes as a result of the abolition of the Overview, Scrutiny & Audit Committee by Full Council on 18 April 2012 and as referred by Full Council on 9 May 2012 to Governance Committee to consider.
	(c) To include the revision of Part 8 of the Constitution in respect of the 2012 version of the Performance Management Framework and System as reported to the Governance Committee on 27 June 2012.
	(d) To include other minor corrections and amendments.
13.	LOCALISM ACT 2011: APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSONS The Monitoring Officer to submit a report seeking approval to appoint two Independent Persons under the Localism Act 2011 to give an independent view on allegations that a Councillor has not complied with the Code of Conduct.
14.	POLICE AND CRIME PANEL: COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF
	REFERENCE The Monitoring Officer to submit a report requesting the Council to agree the
To follow	arrangements for the operation and composition of the Police and Crime Panel to enable that Panel to be set up.

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Advice on Members' Interests

COUNCIL MEETINGS - COMMITTEE MINUTES : DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Interests need not be declared at Full Council in relation to Committee Minutes which do not become the subject of debate at Full Council (ie. Minutes referred to solely on a page by page basis when working through the Minutes of each Committee.)

An interest must be declared at Full Council as soon as it becomes apparent that a relevant Committee Minute is to be debated – this applies even if an interest has been declared at Committee and is recorded in the Minutes of that Committee.

PERSONAL AND NON-PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

If the issue being discussed affects you, your family or a close associate more than other people in the area, you have a personal and non-prejudicial interest. You also have a personal and non-prejudicial interest if the issue relates to an interest you must register.

You must state that you have a personal and non-prejudicial interest and the nature of your interest. You may stay, take part and vote in the meeting (*unless the interest is also prejudicial).

PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

If a member of the public, who knows all the relevant facts, would view your personal interest in the issue being discussed to be so great that it is likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest and it affects your or the other person or bodies' financial position or relates to any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration then **you must state that you have a personal and prejudicial interest, the nature of the interest and you must leave the room*.** You must not seek improperly to influence a decision on that matter unless you have previously obtained a dispensation from the Authority's Standards Committee.

You may not attend a meeting or stay in the room as either an Observer Councillor or *Ward Councillor or as a member of the public if you have a personal and prejudicial interest*.

BIAS

If you have been involved in an issue in such a manner or to such an extent that the public are likely to perceive you to be biased in your judgement of the public interest (bias) then you should not take part in the decision-making process; you should leave the room. **You should state that your position in this matter prohibits you from taking part.** You may request permission of the Chair to address the meeting prior to leaving the room. The Chair will need to assess whether you have a useful contribution to make or whether complying with this request would prejudice the proceedings. A Personal and Prejudicial Interest will take precedence over Bias.

In each case above, you should make your declaration at the beginning of the meeting or as soon as you are aware of the issue being discussed.*

*There are some exceptions – please refer to the Code of Conduct and Guidance.

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