

# Agenda

<b>Meeting name</b>	<b>Council</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>Thursday, 17 December 2020</b>
<b>Start time</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>
<b>Venue</b>	<b>By remote video conference</b>
<b>Other information</b>	<b>This meeting is open to the public</b>

Members of the Council are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the following items of business.

**Edd de Coverly**  
**Chief Executive**

## Membership

<b>Councillors</b>	M. Graham MBE (Chair)	P. Faulkner (Vice-Chair)
	T. Bains	R. Bindloss
	R. Browne	S. Carter
	P. Chandler	R. Child
	P. Cumbers	R. de Burle
	J. Douglas	C. Evans
	C. Fisher	A. Freer-Jones
	M. Glancy	A. Hewson
	L. Higgins	E. Holmes
	J. Illingworth	S. Lumley
	J. Orson	A. Pearson
	P. Posnett MBE	D. Pritchett
	R. Smedley	M. Steadman
	J. Wilkinson	P. Wood

**Quorum:** 14 Councillors

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<b>Agenda despatched</b>	Wednesday, 9 December 2020

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	<p><b>REMOTE MEETING ARRANGEMENTS</b></p> <p><b>Meeting Participants:</b></p> <p><u>Zoom video conference webinar:</u></p> <p>An invitation will be sent to Members for this meeting</p> <p><b>Public Access:</b></p> <p><a href="#">YouTube</a></p>	
1.	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	
2.	<p><b>MINUTES</b></p> <p>(a) To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 23 September 2020</p> <p>(b) To confirm the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 25 November 2020 – To follow</p>	1 - 10
3.	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b></p> <p>A personal interest in respect of County Councillors Orson, Pearson and Posnett is noted as being on record for any matters which relate to the Leicestershire County Council.</p> <p>Members to declare any interest as appropriate in respect of items to be considered at this meeting.</p>	11 - 12
4.	<b>MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	
5.	<b>LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	

6.

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

In accordance with the Constitution, Members of the Council may answer questions from the public of which notice has been given.

(a) The following question was received from Kelly Davies :

*On page 10 of the council's new corporate strategy, there is mention of increasing vitality, vibrancy, footfall and spend in the town centre. How does the council plan to do this when our public transport has been acknowledged by the BBC as being sub-par and many of my followers have claimed the town's car parking charges to be a killer of footfall within the town centre?*

The Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader) to respond

(b) The following question was received from Gareth Batchelor :

*Can you provide details regarding the background to the decision to re-locate the Christmas tree pit in the Town Centre, including the identification of issues with the previous site and the procurement process undertaken?*

Supplementary Question provided:

*How long the new site is expected to last and what, if any, guarantees are in place if any remedial work has to be carried out to prevent a large expenditure again?*

The Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader) to respond

7.

**QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

In accordance with the Constitution, a Member may ask the Leader, the Chair of the Council or a Committee Chair, a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affects the Borough.

No questions were received

8.	<p><b>MOTIONS ON NOTICE</b></p> <p>In accordance with the Constitution, motions on notice must be signed by at least two Members and be about matters for which the Council has a responsibility or which affect the Melton Borough.</p> <p>The following motion was received from Councillor Fisher (Seconded by Councillor Smedley and supported by Councillor Pearson):</p> <p>Proposed closure of St Mary's St Mary's Birth Centre, Melton Mowbray.</p> <p>The Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group are proposing to close St Mary's Birth Centre and replace it with a Midwife led birth centre at the Leicester General Hospital for a trial period of 12 months.</p> <p>This current proposal needs to provide more details on how local community based births, postnatal, antenatal and other related services will be affected.</p> <p>Recent Studies support the use of smaller birthing centres where care is personalised to the patient as the way forward. Concerns have also been raised regarding the capacity at Leicester General Hospital and the ability to deal with the increased workload as a result of these proposals. Careful consideration needs to be given to access, travel time, public transport availability, parking and fuel expenses and the environmental impact before a final decision is made.</p> <p><b>In order to recognise the concerns of the residents of the Melton Borough in relation to the proposed closure of the St Mary's Birth Centre the Council:</b></p> <p><b>(1) Requests that the local National Health Service and LLR CCG provide more information in relation to the impact of the proposed closure on access, travel time, public transport, parking, fuel expense and environmental impact and the steps that will be taken to mitigate and monitor these impacts should the proposals go ahead.</b></p> <p><b>(2) Requests that the local National Health Service and LLR CCG provide information in relation to the feasibility of the proposal that evidences and provides assurance regarding the way in which the new facilities in Leicester would serve the residents of Melton Mowbray better than the current established local service provided at St Mary's.</b></p>	
9.	<p><b>INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING STATEMENT 2020</b></p> <p>The Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader) to present a report for Council to note the Infrastructure Funding Statement 2020 (IFS)</p>	13 - 30

10.	<b>EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY PROTOCOL</b> The Chair of Scrutiny to seek approval from the Council for an Executive Scrutiny Protocol	31 - 46
11.	<b>RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES</b> There are no recommendations or reports from Committees	
12.	<b>CABINET RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL - MID-YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT 2020/21</b> To receive a report from the Cabinet on recommendations referred to the Council	47 - 74
13.	<b>CABINET RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL - BUSINESS RATE POOL FUNDING UPDATE - ASSET DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME PHASE 1</b> To receive a report from the Cabinet on recommendations referred to the Council	75 - 94
	<b>EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS</b> Council is asked to consider whether, under Section 100(a)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 and in accordance with the Council's Access to Information Rules, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Appendix 2 of the report at Appendix A of the following item of business on the grounds that there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Act.  Council will consider whether detailed debate requiring disclosure of the exempt information in relation to the specified item of business is required before making this resolution.	
14.	<b>CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL - MELTON SPORTS VILLAGE TENNIS FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT</b> To receive a report from the Cabinet on recommendations referred to the Council for determination	95 - 126