

Agenda

Meeting name	Meeting of the Council
Date	Thursday, 27 July 2023
Start time	6.30 pm
Venue	Parkside, Station Approach, Burton Street, Melton Mowbray LE13 1GH
Other information	This meeting is open to the public

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

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Chief Executive

Membership

Councillors	A. Hewson (Chair)	J. Adcock
	P. Allnatt	I. Atherton
	S. Atherton	M. Brown
	R. Browne	S. Butcher
	S. Carter	R. Child
	H. Cliff	S. Cox
	P. Cumbers	C. Evans
	A. Freer	M. Glancy
	M. Gordon	M. Graham MBE
	L. Higgins	S. Lumley
	J. Mason	J. Orson
	S. Orson	C. Pitt Miller
	D. Pritchett	R. Sharp
	A. Thwaites	T. Webster

Quorum: 14 Councillors

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1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
2.	MINUTES To confirm the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 May 2023.	1 - 10
3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Members to declare any interest as appropriate in respect of items to be considered at this meeting.	11 - 12
4.	MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	
5.	LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	
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. No questions were received by the deadline.	
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. Two questions have been received.	
8.	MOTIONS ON NOTICE 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. The following motion was received from Councillor Allnatt (Seconded by Councillor Graham). Abuse and personal attacks on elected members is unacceptable and there is evidence that these experiences are forcing good councillors out of local politics and deterring others from running for election. Abuse and unfair criticism of officers fulfilling their duties on behalf of the council is equally unacceptable. In 2022, the LGA found that seven out of 10 councillors had experienced abuse from the public in the previous year. Further research by the LGA in 2022 reinforced concerns that abuse in public life and public discourse is becoming normalised and	

	<p>seriously impacting civic life and local democracy.</p> <p>The LGA has been working for some time to build a better understanding of the issue of abuse and intimidation of elected members and what individuals, local organisations and national government can do to reverse this trend. Their Debate Not Hate campaign aims to raise public awareness of the role of councillors in their communities, encourage healthy debate and respectful challenge, and improve the responses and support for local politicians facing abuse and intimidation.</p> <p>I request that Members join me in supporting the following motion:</p> <p>That Melton Borough Council joins Councils across the country in supporting the Local Government Association’s Debate Not Hate campaign. In so doing, the Council is setting a clear and positive expectation regarding acceptable behaviour, both within the Council, but also from members of the Community, and wishes to make clear that abuse of Members or Officers, in any form, and directed to any person, is not acceptable.</p>	
9.	<p>CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL - TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND ACTUAL PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS 2022/23</p> <p>To receive a report from the Cabinet on recommendations referred to the Council in relation to Treasury Management and Actual Prudential Indicators 2022/23.</p>	13 - 48
10.	<p>RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES - SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23</p> <p>To receive the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 from the Scrutiny Committee.</p>	49 - 80
11.	<p>INQUORATE PARISH COUNCIL</p> <p>The Monitoring Officer is to present the Inquorate Parish Council report.</p>	81 - 88
12.	<p>LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND - ELECTORAL REVIEW</p> <p>The Chief Executive is to present the Local Government Boundary Commission for England – Electoral Review.</p>	89 - 98
13.	<p>CORPORATE STRATEGY 2024-2028</p> <p>The Leader of the Council is to present a report on the Corporate Strategy 2024-2028.</p>	99 - 108