

Agenda

Meeting name	Meeting of the Council
Date	Thursday, 27 March 2025
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	T. Webster (Chair)	J. Adcock
	P. Allnatt	I. Atherton
	S. Atherton	M. Brown
	R. Browne	S. Butcher
	S. Carter	R. Child
	D. Chubb	M. Clay
	H. Cliff	S. Cox
	P. Cumbers	C. Evans
	A. Freer	M. Glancy
	M. Gordon	L. Higgins
	S. Lumley	J. Mason
	J. Orson	S. Orson
	D. Pritchett	R. Sharp
	A. Thwaites	

Quorum: 14 Councillors

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1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
2.	MINUTES To confirm the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 February 2025.	1 - 8
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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. All confirmed questions will be circulated after the deadline. Deadline for questions – Thursday 20 March, 12pm	
7.	QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS In accordance with the Constitution, a Member may ask the Leader, a Portfolio Holder, 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 by the deadline. All confirmed questions will be circulated after the deadline. Deadline for questions – Thursday 20 March	
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. One motion was received by the deadline. Households affected by flooding events The following motion was received from Councillor Thwaites (Seconded by Councillor Butcher). That Melton Borough Council recognises the devastation of the flooding events on a number of households in the Borough.	

	<p>Some families had to leave their homes while their homes were and still are being repaired. They are potentially paying Council Tax on their new accommodation and their flooded home. That cannot be right.</p> <p>Melton Borough Council is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • support its residents by being small enough to care and acknowledges that this unfairness is through no fault of the residents impacted by flooding. • note that to ensure the burden doesn't fall on Melton residents alone, Melton Borough Council would need support from all other precepting authorities, including Leicestershire County Council, the Police, Fire and Parish Council's to agree to forgo up to 3 months Council Tax while homes were uninhabitable due to a natural disaster event caused by flooding on 6 January 2025. <p>Cabinet is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • write to all precepting authorities seeking their support in meeting their proportion of the financial costs arising from a rebate of council tax for those residents unable to inhabit their property following the flood event in 2025, reflecting the period those affected were unable to occupy their homes, up to a maximum of three months. • should support be provided from all precepting authorities, consider the financial implications for MBC, and confirm whether they wish to implement such a scheme. • accompany any rebate (should it be agreed) with prevention advice as to how the rebate could assist towards making the home to be flood ready in the future. 	
9.	<p>RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES - AMENDMENTS TO ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEALING WITH STANDARDS COMPLAINTS AND HEARING PROCEDURE RULES</p> <p>To receive a report from the Audit and Standards Committee on amendments to arrangements for dealing with standards complaints and hearing procedure rules.</p>	11 - 52
10.	<p>GOVERNANCE REVIEW</p> <p>To consider a report on the Governance Review.</p>	53 - 60
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12.	<p>DEVOLUTION WHITE PAPER UPDATE</p> <p>The Leader is to provide an update on the Devolution White Paper.</p> <p>Appendices to follow.</p>	71 - 78