



North East Derbyshire District Council

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To: **All Members of the Council**

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to be held on **Monday, 29 January 2024 at 2.00 pm in the District Council Offices, Mill Lane, Wingerworth, Chesterfield S42 6NG**

Group meetings will be arranged, where necessary, by the Group Leaders.

The meeting will also be live streamed from the Council's website on its You Tube Channel. Click on the following link if you want to view the meeting:

[North East Derbyshire District Council - YouTube](#)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Steuberg".

Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interests, not already on their register of interests, in any items on the agenda and withdraw from the meeting at the appropriate time.

3 Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 7 - 20)

To approve as a correct record and the Chair to sign the attached Minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 27 November 2023

4 Chairman of the Council's Announcements

5 Leader of the Council's Announcements

6 Public Participation

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 8 to allow members of the public to ask questions about the Council's activities for a period up to fifteen minutes. The replies to any such questions will be given by the appropriate Cabinet Member. Questions must be received in writing or by email to the Monitoring Officer by 12pm (Noon) twelve clear working days before the meeting.

No questions have been submitted under Procedure Rule No 8 for this meeting.

7 Medium Term Financial Plan 2023-24 - 2027/28 (Pages 21 - 46)

Report of Councillor P Kerry, Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance

8 Treasury Strategy Reports 2024/25 - 2027/28 (Pages 47 - 97)

Report of Councillor P Kerry, Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance

9 Appointments to Committees (Pages 98 - 100)

Report of the Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

10 To answer any questions from Members asked under Procedure Rule No 9.2

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 9.2 to allow Members to ask questions about Council activities. The replies to any such questions will be given by the Chair of the Council or relevant Committee or the appropriate Cabinet Member. Questions must be received in writing or by email to the Monitoring Officer by 12pm (Noon) twelve clear working days before the meeting.

The following question(s) have been submitted:-

Question 'A' – Councillor C Lacey to Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council

Like other communities in North East Derbyshire many residents of Killamarsh rely on the public transport network to see family and friends, go to work, go shopping and for their leisure activities. Yet bus services in our village are unreliable and continue to deteriorate leaving many people stranded. Whilst responsibility for local bus services does not rest with this council, residents look to us to champion their cause. Would the Leader of the Council agree to raise these concerns of Killamarsh residents with both Derbyshire County Council and the local bus companies?

Question 'B' – Councillor A Dale to Councillor S Pickering, Portfolio Holder for Environment and Place

Does the Cabinet Member believe that decisions made by the planning committee should be consistent with local and national planning policies?

Question 'C' – Councillor C Cupit to Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council

Given its potential impact on communities in this District, could the Leader of the Council explain why NEDDC have offered no objections or concerns to the current planning application (AVA/2023/0764) for 185 new homes being considered by Amber Valley Borough Council?

Question 'D' – Councillor F Adlington-Stringer to Councillor S Pickering, Portfolio Holder for Environment and Place

Councillor Barker stated in his opening speech as Leader that this “Cleaner Council” would begin by reviewing the “road sweeping regime” across our District. Residents in Wingerworth regularly inform me of their suffering due to neglected drains blocked by unmanaged debris. What is your plan, does it require another road sweeper, and when will it be implemented?

11 To consider any Motions from Members under Procedure Rule No 10

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 10 to consider Motions on notice from Members. Motions must be received in writing or by email to the Monitoring Officer by 12pm (Noon) twelve clear working days before the meeting.

The following motion(s) have been submitted:-

Motion 'A' – Proposed by Councillor H Wetherall

The Council, recognising that the A632 is a well-known and renowned trouble-spot for traffic collisions, accidents and deaths, resolves to work closely together with all key stakeholders and partner agencies, locally and nationally to ensure that average speed cameras are installed on the A632 as quickly as possible in 2024 so that there is a consequent reduction in road traffic collisions, serious

accidents and deaths.

Motion 'B' – Proposed by Councillor A Dale

Council notes:

- the planning committee's recent approval of application reference 22/01196/FL (New development comprising of 38 new homes on land between Unstone Junior School and Unstone Plant Centre, Main Road, Unstone.
- the decision was taken despite significant opposition from local residents, the local member and several members of the planning committee and there were serious concerns over the justification for this development and the decision taken being contrary to both local and national planning policies.
- in light of the complaints received following the decision and the risk of legal challenge, the Council has sought external legal advice on whether the application had met the high test set by NPPF (2023 update) para 154f and Local Plan policy LC3 in order to justify approval. Namely, there are concerns around whether 38 houses would constitute "limited" development according to the NPPF and whether the applicant has adequately demonstrated a "proven" local community need sufficiently to meet the test set by Local Plan policy LC3a, as well as the other four tests in this policy.
- the potentially dangerous precedent the approval of this application could set for the District as a whole, and particularly those areas within the green belt, whereby large-scale applications for social housing may come forward outside of agreed settlement development limits, based solely on the desirability of a place to live, rather than proven local community needs for housing.

Council resolves:

- that planning application 22/01196/FL be referred back to the Planning Committee to receive the external legal advice that the authority has sought and determine whether permission be revoked in respect of the concerns around compliance with NPPF (2023 update) para 154f and Local Plan policy LC3.
- to reassure our communities that the Council is committed to protecting our green belt and settlement development limits across the District, and that by referring the above application back to committee, Council recognises it is taking an important first step towards demonstrating this reassurance

Motion 'C' – Proposed by Councillor F Adlington-Stringer

Plant-Based Council

North East Derbyshire District Council, in line with its Climate Emergency

declaration and in reflection of the local emissions reported in its own Climate Change Strategy, commits to:

1. Ensuring food and drink provided at all Council meetings and events is 100% plant-based.
2. Prioritising plant-based menu options wherever the Council has influence, for example in leisure centres.
3. Promoting and encouraging plant-based eating to residents through methods such as public awareness campaigns and the removal of meat and dairy advertising.

12 Chairman's Urgent Business (Public)

To consider any other matter which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

13 Exclusion of Public

The Chairman to move:-

That the public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of the following item(s) of business to avoid the disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5, Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

14 Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Board (Pages 101 - 133)

Report of Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance

(Paragraphs 3 and 5)

15 Senior Management Pay Levels (Pages 134 - 162)

Report of the Managing Director and Head of the Paid Service

(Paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5)

16 Chairman's Urgent Business (Private)

To consider any other matter which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.



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