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AGENDA

Prayers will be conducted prior to the start of the meeting.
Members are welcome to attend.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber - The Guildhall, , on **Monday, 2nd March, 2020 at 7.00 pm**, and your attendance at such meeting is hereby requested to transact the following business.

To: Members of West Lindsey District Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING
To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 January 2020.
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3. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Members may make any declarations of interest at this point and may also make them at any point during the meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING
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5. ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - i) Chairman of Council
 - ii) Leader of the Council
 - iii) Chief Executive

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6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

7. QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 9

8. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10
"Chairman

Dog Fouling

Council Notes:

1. Dog fouling is not only deeply unpleasant, it is dangerous. Whilst rare, contact with dog excrement can cause toxocariasis – a nasty infection that can lead to dizziness, nausea, asthma and even blindness or seizures
2. Dog fouling is an offence and can result in offenders being issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of up to £75. If the case goes to court this could cost the owner or person in charge of the animal up to £1,000
3. The law states that being unaware a dog has fouled or not having a suitable bag is not a reasonable excuse
4. There are estimated to be more than 8 million dogs producing more than 1,000 tonnes of excrement every day in the UK alone
5. A Keep Britain Tidy campaign in 2010 had considerable success on the issue of dog fouling. 'There's no such thing as the dog poo fairy' led to massive reductions in dog fouling in participating councils' areas. That some communities saw a decrease of up to 90%, while on average a reduction of 43% was recorded across the 94 participating local authorities

Council Believes:

1. Most dog owners are caring, responsible individuals, however, the small minority of those, who do not clean up after their pets are acting irresponsibly
2. That several councils have had success with the 'Green Dog Walkers' scheme (along the lines of that piloted, developed and trail blazed by Falkirk Council in 2008). They are friendly, non-confrontational projects that bring about the change of community behaviour by the modelling of good behaviour.

Council Resolves to:

1. Request that the Prosperous Communities Committee undertake to:
 - a. Assess the scale of the problem across the District

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- b. Commission work to investigate successful initiatives undertaken by other Councils, including the 'Green Dog Walkers' scheme, assessing them for viability and value for money
- c. Bring forward and consider proposals to implement suitable initiatives to deal with the problem
- d. Develop a scheme to educate irresponsible dog owners that not clearing up after their pets is anti-social behaviour that the council does not tolerate

We so move”

Cllr. Anne Welburn

Cllr. Stephen Bunney

9. REPORTS FOR DETERMINATION

- a. Adoption of the Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan
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- b. Approval for Exemption from Procurement
(PAGES 31 - 35)

- c. Executive Business Plan, Medium Term Financial Strategy and Plan
2020/21 - 2024-25

Note: In accordance with paragraph, 14.4 of Council Procedure Rules and in-line with national Regulation the budget decision will be made by way of recorded vote.

Note: The County Council is yet to formally confirm its Council Tax (meeting being held 21 February) in the event that there are any changes from the figures published within this report, the following sections of this report will be re-issued prior to the Council Meeting.

- a) the table at 3.3 of the MTFP
 - b) Appendix 8 and
 - c) Appendix 12
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10. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

To resolve that under Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the

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following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

11. EXEMPT REPORT(S)

- a. Executive Business Plan - Exempt Appendices
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Friday, 21 February 2020