

West Lindsey District Council

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This meeting will be webcast and published on the Council's website

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, Marshall's Yard, Gainsborough, DN21 2NA, , on **Monday, 8th September, 2025 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

- APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING
 To confirm and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of Full Council held on 7 July 2025.

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- 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. TO APPOINT A VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2025/26 CIVIC YEAR Following which, the Vice-Chairman appointed will make the Declaration of Acceptance of Office
- 5. MATTERS ARISING
 Setting out the current position of previously agreed actions as at 29 August 2025.

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6. ELECTION OF LEADER

The following nomination(s) have been received in accordance with Article 6 of the Constitution:

Nominee: Councillor Jackie Brockway
Proposer: Councillor Maureen Palmer
Seconder: Councillor Stephen Bunney

7. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- i) Chairman of Council
- ii) Leader of the Council
- iii) Head of Paid Service

9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Questions, if received, under this Scheme will be published by way of supplement following closure of the deadline.

(TO FOLLOW)

QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 9
 Questions, if received, under this Scheme will be published by way of supplement following closure of the deadline.

(TO FOLLOW)

11. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10 Motion 1

"West Lindsey is currently undergoing radical changes in its administration and opposition.

A large majority of Councillors would like to work together more closely in a manner which transcends party politics, in order to improve our collective service to West Lindsey residents and businesses. This change aims to improve the resilience of the Council and to increase experience available to as many Councillors as possible.

I invite Councillors to support the following ten-point commitments:

- 1. That the West Lindsey Administration be acknowledged as the administration of the council.
- 2. That the Leader of the council should hold the Leader's position only and should not hold chairmanships or vice-chairmanships on any committee at WLDC.

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- 3. That Councillors, whenever possible, should hold no more than one Special Responsibility position and should receive no more than one Special Responsibility Allowance.
- 4. That Councillors from different parties within the WLA are allowed to substitute for each other to cover absences, so long as they are members of the formally constituted WLA.
- 5. Each committee should have one vice-chairman. In the absence of the named person a vice-chairman should be nominated from the body of the committee for the duration of the meeting.
- 6. That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of any West Lindsey Council committee should not be in the same political party unless the political balance of the Council prevents this.
- 7. That the new Administration commits to a timely refresh of the Council's Corporate Plan with the adoption of new values and behaviours to reflect the priorities on the new Administration and welcomes the member and staff engagement that is planned in September
- 8. That the new Administration welcomes the review of internal governance arrangements currently underway to streamline decision making and become more delivery focussed
- 9. That the Council commits to respond positively and in a timely manner to the Corporate Peer challenge recommendations to ensure the positive work of the council is fully reflected and acknowledged by the LGA Peer Team in its follow up visit next year.
- 10. That the Council continues to collaborate with its Lincolnshire local authority partners on LGR to ensure that the challenges and opportunities for West Lindsey are fully recognised in proposals that are submitted to government for the benefit of our communities.

I so move Councillor Jackie Brockway"

12. REPORTS FOR DETERMINATION

a. Adoption of the Dunholme Neighbourhood Plan Review(PAGES 31 - 37)

b. Review of the Allocation of Seats to Political Groups on Committees / Sub Committees

To note the Group Leaders of each Group and the number of Members to be appointed to serve on each Committee in accordance with the provisions of

Section 15 of the Local Government Act. (PAGES 38 - 49)

- c. Appointment of Committees for the Remainder of the Civic Year 2025/26 In accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, to appoint Members to Committees for the Civic Year, in accordance with the wishes expressed by the Political Groups. **(TO FOLLOW)**
- Appointment of Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen for the remainder Civic Year 2025/26 and to Confirm the Normal Commencement Time for Each Committee

(TO FOLLOW)

e. To Re- appoint to Outside Bodies

(TO FOLLOW)

- f. West Lindsey District Council Corporate Peer Challenge Progress Report
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- g. Local Government Reorganisation Update

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h. Recommendation from Corporate Policy and Resources Committee - New Fee relative to Markets for 2025/26

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 Recommendation from Corporate Policy and Resources Committee -Annual Treasury Management Report 2024/25

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j. Dispensation for Councillor Attendance - Councillor Liz Clews

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Bill Cullen Interim Head of Paid Service The Guildhall Gainsborough

Friday, 29 August 2025