

West Lindsey District Council

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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, Marshall's Yard, Gainsborough, DN21 2NA, , on **Monday, 7th July, 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
- 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING
 To confirm and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Annual General
 Meeting of Full Council held on 12 May 2025.

(TO FOLLOW)

- 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.
- MATTERS ARISING
 Setting out the current position of previously agreed actions as at 27 June 2025.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

(VERBAL REPORT)

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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

(TO FOLLOW)

7. QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 9
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(TO FOLLOW)

8. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10

Motion 1 – The Council resolves to remove Cllr Trevor Young as Leader of the Council

Council at its meeting on 12th May 2025 resolved to appoint Cllr Trevor Young as Leader of Council for the civic year, Minute 6 refers.

Since that time, I believe that Cllr Young has lost significant support from the Liberal Democrat Administration, Article 6.3 (c) of our Constitution states, the Leader of the Council will:

"be the lead member for matters regarding the priorities and aims of the administration and its political manifesto"

As Cllr Young has unfortunately, I believe, lost the support of his Group, he can longer, in my view, fulfil this function of the Constitution. Therefore, in the interests of the Council and its need for clear and concise leadership, and in concordance with the spirit of the Constitution, acknowledging Council Procedure Rule 13 – the required 10 signatories have been received to seek Council support to rescind that decision.

As such Council resolves: -

1. to rescind the decision made at the AGM on 12th May 2025 to elect Cllr Trevor Young to office of Leader (minute 6 relates); and

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2. by resolution of this Council, in accordance with Article 6.1 (c) remove Cllr Trevor Young from office of Leader.

I so move Cllr Trevor Bridgwood

Motion 2 – The Council resolves to remove Cllr Lesley Rollings as Deputy Leader of the Council

Council at its meeting on 12th May 2025 resolved to appoint Cllr Lesley Rollings as Deputy Leader of Council for the civic year, Minute 7 refers.

Since that time, I believe that Cllr Rollings has unfortunately lost significant support from the Liberal Democrat Administration. Article 6.4 of the Constitution of West Lindsey District Council states that the Deputy Leader of Council is appointed to fulfil the functions of the Leader of the Council in their absence, thus, they too must be able to be the lead member for the administration's priorities and aims. As Councillor Rollings, I believe, no longer commands the confidence of a significant number of the Liberal Democrat Administration, acknowledging Council Procedure Rule 13 – the required 10 signatories have been received to seek Council support to rescind that decision.

As such Council resolves: -

- 1. to rescind the decision made at the AGM on 12th May 2025 to elect Cllr Lesley Rollings to office of Deputy Leader (minute 7 relates); and
- 2. by resolution of this Council, in accordance with Article 6.1 (c) remove Cllr Lesley Rollings from office of Deputy Leader.

I so move Cllr Trevor Bridgwood

- 9. REPORTS FOR DETERMINATION
 - Adoption of the Reepham Neighbourhood Plan

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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.

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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)

d. 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. Recommendation from Chief Officer Employment Committee - Appointment to Statutory Position of Head of Paid Service, Returning Officer and Electoral Registration Officer

(TO FOLLOW)

f. Local Government Reorganisation

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Friday, 27 June 2025