Lowestoft Town Council Climate Emergency Committee

For the attention of all Committee Members

You are summoned to attend a Meeting of the Lowestoft Town Council Finance and Governance Committee at First Floor, Hamilton House, Battery Green Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 1DE at 15:30 on 11 December 2019.

The meeting is open to the public and press to attend and those attending the meeting shall be informed that the meeting may be reported on (including recording, photographing and filming). This does not apply to confidential items. Please note that if members of the public are unable to attend the meeting, they may submit comments in writing. In providing such comments they accept that, where they are suitable, they may be considered at the meeting and published in our minutes. However, they should ensure that their name, address and contact details are included in their communication and should note that anonymous submissions will not be accepted. Members of the public accept that their name may be noted and recorded at the meeting. However, their contact details will not be noted and reported publicly.

Councillors must register relevant interests and also declare them at a meeting if they have such an interest in a matter to be considered. Under the Localism Act 2011 a councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter on the Agenda cannot take part or vote on that matter, unless they have been granted a dispensation. Under the Council’s Code of Conduct a councillor must leave the meeting room if they have such an interest, unless they have been granted a dispensation. There may be other interests or matters in which councillors might be considered to be biased or predetermined in which cases they will need to consider whether they should leave the room.

The Council has a duty to pay due regard to preventing crime and disorder and to conserve biodiversity as part of relevant decisions.

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Shona Bendix, Clerk
4 December 2019
AGENDA

43. Welcome
To explain the fire evacuation procedure, welcome the meeting, and remind councillors and members of the public right to report.

44. To receive and consider acceptance of apologies for absence

45. Declarations of Interests and dispensations
45.1. To receive Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests from Councillors on items on the Agenda
45.2. To note written requests and grants of dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

46. To consider the accuracy of the Minutes
12 November 2019

47. Public Forum
An opportunity for the public to make comments on any matters on this agenda

48. To note the restrictions on voting for non-Councillor committee members

49. A discussion with East Suffolk Norse on how the Town Council may continue to address the climate emergency on its grounds, including the following:
49.1. To note action East Suffolk Council is taking to encourage biodiversity within its cemeteries and to consider what action the Town Council could take to encourage biodiversity within its own parks and open spaces

50. To consider a report from the Lowestoft Climate Action Group

51. To note advice received from East Suffolk Council about its monitoring of air pollution in Lowestoft

52. To consider the impact of light and noise pollution in Lowestoft, and any measures the Town Council can take against this in relation to its own assets

53. To consider the current provision and costs of bottle banks for glass recycling in Lowestoft and whether this should be increased to appropriate Lowestoft Town Council sites

54. To consider how the Town Council can identify and promote cycling routes in Lowestoft

55. To consider an update on the Neighbourhood Plan

56. Date of the next meeting

57. Items for the next agenda and close

58. To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely any legal issues relating to the matters on this agenda