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 14:30 on 16 September 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
10 September 2019
AGENDA

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

2. To receive and consider acceptance of apologies for absence

3. Declarations of Interests and dispensations
   3.1. To receive Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests from Councillors on items on the Agenda
   3.2. To note written requests and grants of dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

4. To receive and note the notes of a meeting of the Climate Emergency Working Group on 30 July 2019

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

6. To elect a Deputy Chair of the Climate Emergency Committee

7. To make a recommendation to Full Council as to the appointment of two non-Councillor members to the Climate Emergency Committee

8. To consider progress with the development of a policy, including the following:
   8.1. Organisations the Town Council may wish to liaise with to progress its declaration of a climate emergency
   8.2. Making recommendations as to the scope of activities of the Climate Emergency Committee and how this may affect wider Council decisions
   8.3. Receipt of an assessment of Hamilton House

9. To consider whether to arrange a parish conference on the climate emergency, including relevant speakers

10. To consider an update on the Neighbourhood Plan

11. Date of the next meeting

12. Items for the next agenda and close

13. 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