

# Lowestoft Town Council Standing Orders and Policies Sub-Committee

For the attention of all Sub-Committee Members

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Standing Orders and Policies Sub-Committee of Lowestoft Town Council at 13:00 on Monday 14 November 2022, at **First Floor, Hamilton House, Battery Green Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 1DE**

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. Comments can also be submitting regarding any item on the agenda in advance of the meeting. Members of the public can join the meeting remotely via the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81013077242> .The meeting can also be observed via the following link: <https://youtu.be/jCKLPnloZKc> .

*In providing any comments members of the public accept that, where they are suitable, they may be considered at the meeting and published in our minutes. Any individual submitting the comments 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 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 **relevant interests** in matters on the Agenda cannot take part or vote on those matters, 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 case 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.

To help prevent the spread of infectious diseases, all attendees should consider the safety of others, make their own risk assessment of the advisability of attending and consider measures they should take to ensure their own safety.

Regards,

*SS Bendix*

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Shona Bendix, Clerk  
4 November 2022

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**AGENDA**

**22. Welcome**

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

**23. To receive and consider approval of apologies for absence**

**24. Declarations of Interests and dispensations**

a. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable interests from councillors on items on the Agenda.

b. To consider written requests for dispensations for interests and note dispensations granted.

**25. To consider the draft minutes of the meeting on 7 October 2022**

**26. Public forum**

An opportunity for the public to make comments on any matters on this agenda, and to consider any advance comments from the public.

**27. To reconsider proposed amendments (as agreed at last meeting) to Standing Orders**

**28. To review the following Town Council policies:**

- 27.1 Environmental Policy
- 27.2 Equality and Diversity
- 27.3 Financial Regulations (procurement threshold changes)
- 27.4 Freedom of Information Publication Scheme and additional information
- 27.5 Friends of Group Policy
- 27.6 Health and Safety Policy
- 27.7 IT policy
- 27.8 Ponds Policy
- 27.9 Public Participation Protocol and Public Participation Protocol (video meetings)
- 27.10 Reporting Procedure for Assets and Maintenance.

**29. To note policy review schedule to May 2023**

**30. Date of the next meeting**

Wednesday 21 December 2022 at 16:00

**31. Items for the next agenda and close**

**32. 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**