



**West
Northamptonshire
Council**

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A meeting of the Council will be held in the Great Hall, The Guildhall, St Giles Street, Northampton, NN1 1DE on Thursday 29 September 2022 at 6.00 pm

Councillors are hereby summoned to attend

Agenda

1.	Apologies for Absence
2.	Declarations of Interest Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.
3.	Minutes of Council (Pages 9 - 24) To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 30 th June 2022.
4.	Chairman's Announcements To receive communications from the Chairman of the Council.
5.	Public Participation (1) Receipt of Petitions (if any) from Local Government Electors for the District (2) Questions (if any) from the Public
6.	Priority Opposition Motion <u>Priority Opposition Motion</u> Proposed: Cllr. Bob Purser Seconded: Cllr Wendy Randall "The level of street rubbish, fly tipping, overflowing waste bins, and bags of refuse

waiting to be collected on the streets of Northampton, for example the Wellingborough Road, is shocking and out of control, as is fly tipping in rural areas, bringing West Northamptonshire into disrepute.

We recognise the efforts of staff to collect rubbish and keep our streets clean, the work of neighbourhood wardens and the efforts of many voluntary groups including the Litter Wombles and local Councillors.

The causes of this are multiple. Nonetheless the current situation is unacceptable, and solutions are urgently needed.

We call on West Northamptonshire Council as a contribution to its aim to be 'clean and green' to support all who want a clean and tidy town and convene a summit of all interested and concerned parties including the Town and Parish Councils to

- Identify the location of rubbish, fly tipping, overflowing waste bins, and bags of refuse and causes of fly-tipping and Identify litter hotspots
- Develop an education plan for the public especially for areas of high-density housing
- Enforce schedule four of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 where it is active in the footprint of the former Northampton Borough Council and address the ability to widen its coverage to include the whole of West Northants, enabling the Council to seize and remove abandoned trolleys and then charge the owners for their return.
- Promote the use of cameras and legal and other action enforcement action available to tackle it.
- Review the Council's bulk waste and enforcement of fly tipping regulations in both urban and rural settings
- Improve integration of Council services with that of contractors
- Review the collection of commercial and domestic rubbish e.g. shops and flats putting out bags on the streets, progress in the introduction of recycling bins.
- Review street cleaning services and its schedule of priority areas.

And to draw up an integrated action plan to clean up West Northamptonshire.”

7. Cabinet Reports and Record of Decisions Taken by the Cabinet (Pages 25 - 106)

Items of Business

8. Cost of Living increase: How West Northamptonshire Council is supporting residents (Pages 107 - 116)

9. Annual Report from the Pensions Committee (Pages 117 - 126)

10. Annual Report from the Local Pension Board (Pages 127 - 134)

11. Updates to the Constitution (Pages 135 - 430)

12.	Annual Reports from Overview and Scrutiny (Pages 431 - 458)
13.	Proposal to establish a new 250 place, ‘all-through’ Special Educational Needs & Disability (SEND) School for pupils with Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) at Tiffield St John’s site, Tiffield (Pages 459 - 464)
14.	<p>Exclusion of Press and Public</p> <p>The following report(s) contain exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.</p> <p>Paragraph 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).</p> <p>Members are reminded that whilst the following item(s) have been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider each of them in private or in public. In making the decision, members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.</p> <p>Should Members decide not to make a decision in public, they are recommended to resolve as follows:</p> <p>“That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that, if the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraph 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.”</p>
15.	Death management and related services (Pages 465 - 478)

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16.	<p>Motions</p> <p>To debate any motions which have been submitted with advance notice, in accordance with the Council’s Procedure Rules.</p> <p><u>Motion 1</u></p> <p>– Proposed by: Cllr Sally Beardsworth Seconded by: Cllr Rose Humphreys</p> <p>“Council notes the significant challenge that inflation and staggeringly high energy price rises are having on West Northamptonshire’s residents.</p> <p>Council further notes that the rise in the energy cap will make the situation far worse for many, and in some cases potentially unmanageable.</p> <p>Without suitable support and potential early intervention where necessary, West</p>
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Northants council could face additional pressures on its services in the future. Taking an early, broad and proactive approach is a prudent measure to help prevent this situation emerging.

We acknowledge the report presented to Cabinet on 13th September however fine words alone will not suffice and believe that this council must act urgently to do all that it can to generate and promote actions to support those most in need through this cost-of-living crisis.

Council therefore resolves to:

- Establish, with immediate effect, a cross-party Cost of Living Task Force, as part of the Anti-Poverty working group, to explore how this council can do all that it can to identify further potential ideas and options to support residents who are most in need during this particularly challenging time.
- This 'task force' should ideally include representation from all relevant council directorates, multi-agency and voluntary sector representation from across West Northamptonshire and the group's membership/terms of reference reviewed and/or clearly established.
- Ensure that the first meeting of this group takes place within the first two weeks of October and is run, initially, in the form of a workshop to ensure that ideas are translated into solid actions, rapidly. The group will further meet monthly schedule of for the following six months to review and track progress."

Motion 2

Proposed: Cllr. Danielle Stone

Seconded: Cllr. Emma Roberts

"Personal budgets have been a success for many disabled people but there are areas of improvement that need addressing.

The culture of fear that disabled residents face.

This arises from judgements made about the decisions disabled people might make, or pragmatic choices made because of contextual factors.

The culture of blame that disabled residents face.

The market is beset with the perennial problems of low pay and poor conditions. Carers are leaving their jobs for better remunerated work in supermarkets and warehouses.

In turn, our disabled residents face the stress of finding and paying for their care in a broken market. As well as blame for budgeting issues arising from having to navigate a broken system during a financial crisis.

There are simple measures that can alleviate both of these issues:

Training must be offered to practitioners to ensure we dispel the cultures of fear and blame.

Adopting a more flexible approach to the provision of care using a combination of self-employed personal assistants, directly employed, local authority staff and agency staff where needed will be helpful.

	<p>The Council therefore asks Cabinet to commit to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training to reduce the culture of fear and blame 2. Co- producing with disabled people a strategy based on a social model of care. 3. Adopting flexible models of care provision and where direct care is the chosen option a process must be in place to support the client as the employer.”
17.	<p>Urgent Business (previously agreed with the Chairman)</p> <p>The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any items of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.</p>

Catherine Whitehead
Proper Officer
21 September 2022

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Councillor Richard Solesbury-Timms
Councillor Danielle Stone
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Councillor Ken Pritchard
Councillor Wendy Randall
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Councillor Cathrine Russell
Councillor Brian Sargeant
Councillor Zoe Smith
Councillor Laura Stevenson
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of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item

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