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# Agenda

### Council

Date: Wednesday 22 January 2025

Time: **6.00 pm** 

Place: Council Chamber

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#### **SUMMONS**

A meeting of the Borough Council will be held on Wednesday 22 January 2025 at 6.00 pm to transact the business as set out below.

Mike Hill Chief Executive

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- 1 Thought for the day
- 2 Apologies for absence
- 3 Mayor's announcements
- To approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meetings held on 5 25 18 September 2024 and 13 November 2024
- 5 Declaration of interests
- 6 To deal with any petitions received under procedural rule 7.8
- 7 To answer questions asked by the public under procedural rule 7.7

Question 1 – Received by Matthew Francis

"Gedling Borough Council's annual financial budget is approximately £12.6 million. In a cost of living crisis, where residents of Gedling Borough are being asked to pay more and more council tax every year, and you will also now be charging residents and other visitors to park at Gedling Country Park, the allocation of salaries of the Senior Leadership Team, which includes executives, directors and assistant directors, accounts for approximately £1 million of that financial budget.

Would the chairman of the Audit Committee please take the time to explain to residents, why such a state of affairs, exhibits a sense of fiduciary responsibility?"

Question 2

"Given the importance the GREATER CARLTON TOWN BOARD will have in bringing economic growth to the wider Carlton Area. And given the Chair of the Board (according the minutes from Tuesday 22 October 2024, 17.00) is reported to have "stressed the importance of Members' attendance at the meeting."

Will the Leader of Council write to the MP for Gedling noting the following:

Encouraging the MP to attend more of the meetings of this board and stress the importance of the board in delivering for Carlton residents.

Express the council's dissatisfaction the MP has only attended 1 of the 5 meetings, and the one he did attend he was late too. (this is correct as of the publicly available minutes as of 9/12/2024)"

### 8 To answer questions asked by Members of the Council under procedural rule 7.9

Question 1 – From Cllr Ellwood to the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Growth and Economy

"In view of the removal of hedgerows in March 2023 at the boundary of the Chase Farm Development on Arnold Lane opposite Stanhope Road (in contravention of Condition 4 of Planning Application 2021/1294); what actions have the Planning Department at the Borough Council taken to ensure that the removed hedgerows are replaced?

Question 2 – From Cllr Hughes to the Leader of the Council

"The Government published its Devolution White Paper in December, proposing that a system of Unitary Authorities be established across the whole of England.

Can the Leader let us know what stance the Council will adopt in response to the possible abolition of Gedling Borough Council if the top-down local government reorganisation outlined in the white paper is enacted?"

## 9 Reports and recommendations of the Executive or a Committee (procedural rule 7.10)

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### 16 To consider motions under procedural rule 7.12

We the Council recognise that the safety of staff, fellow councillors and residents alike currently is not completely represented within this chamber.

As a result of this we would like to see all of the 2023-2027 intake of councillors and all in the future to undergo an enhanced DBS check.

The councillors will be required to present the DBS information to the Monitoring Officer and Business Manager of their group, as applicable, within 72 days of this motion and for future councils within 72 days of their election to this council.

The cost will be met by the council.

This will not only ensure better transparency but also ensure that any risk of harm or untoward behaviour is minimised.

Proposer: Cllr Michael Adams Seconder: Cllr Sam Smith