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Date: Tuesday, 1st October 2024

Dear Councillor,

Council Meeting

You are invited to attend a Meeting of **East Lindsey District Council** to be held at **the Hub, Mareham Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6PH** on **Wednesday, 9th October, 2024** at **6.30 pm**, for the transaction of the business set out in the attached Agenda.

- The public and the press may access the meeting via the following link <https://bit.ly/ELDCYT> where a livestream and subsequent recording of the meeting will be available.

Yours sincerely



Robert Barlow
Chief Executive

Conservative

Councillors Tom Ashton, Richard Avison, Wendy Bowkett, Colin Davie, Sarah Devereux, Dick Edginton, Stephen Evans, Martin Foster, Richard Fry, William Gray, Adam Grist, Will Grover, Alex Hall, Neil Jones, Sam Kemp, Thomas Kemp, Steve Kirk, James Knowles, Craig Leyland, Stephen Lyons, Daniel McNally, Carl Macey, Graham Marsh, Paul Rickett and Terry Taylor

District Independent/Liberal Democrat

Councillors Sandra Campbell-Wardman and Fiona Martin, M.B.E.

East Lindsey Independent Group

Councillors Terry Aldridge, Carleen Dickinson, Stephen Eyre, Travis Hesketh, Darren Hobson, George Horton, Andrew Leonard, Steve McMillan, Jill Makinson-Sanders, Ellie Marsh, Edward Mossop, Daniel Simpson, Robert Watson and Ruchira Yarsley

Independent

Councillors Stef Bristow and Terry Knowles

Labour

Councillors Claire Arnold, Graham Cullen, Roger Dawson, David Hall, Rosalind Jackson and Kate Marnoch

Skegness Urban District Society (SUDS)

Councillors Billy Brookes, Danny Brookes, Jimmy Brookes, Richard Cunnington and Mark Dannatt

COUNCIL AGENDA

Wednesday, 9 October 2024

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1.	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:</u>	
2.	<u>DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (IF ANY):</u>	
3.	<u>EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS:</u> To consider excluding the public and press for the following items and if appropriate the Chairman to move:- That under Section 100(a)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting for the following item on the grounds that, if they were present, there could be disclosed to them exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended).	
4.	<u>MINUTES:</u> To confirm the Open and Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 July 2024.	1 - 30
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6.	<u>COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIRMAN:</u>	Verbal Report
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10.	<u>SOUTH & EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCILS PARTNERSHIP PERFORMANCE REPORT:</u> To receive a report on the Partnership's performance.	59 - 70

11. MOTIONS ON NOTICE:

To receive Motions on Notice under Council Procedure Rule 12.

MOTION: Winter Fuel Allowance and protecting pensioners from fuel poverty.

This Council is very concerned by the recent decision of the government, confirmed by a House of Commons vote on 10th September 2024, to restrict the Winter Fuel Payment to only pensioners in receipt of certain means-tested benefits. This will affect over 2 million pensioners nationally and, in East Lindsey, over 36000 vulnerable pensioners will now not receive the Winter Fuel Payment. Forcing many into "heat or eat" dilemmas during the coldest months of the year with direct impacts on health and wellbeing.

Leading charities including, Age UK, highlight the social injustice and the health risks of this sudden policy change and the additional strain this will place on some of our most vulnerable residents, many of whom don't claim Pension Credit despite being eligible.

We ask that this Council:

- Continue to promote the uptake of the Pension Credit benefit through Council services, partnerships, charities and community organisations. We need to make sure our most vulnerable pensioners are supported in claiming their entitlement.
- To support our residents across the district, this council should register its strong disapproval with the government and Members of Parliament for taking away the winter fuel payment. It fails to acknowledge the plight of those now discriminated against who do not qualify within the threshold for support and yet fall below the income level of those who do not need the payment. Many of our rural residents, unlike their metropolitan cousins, do not have the luxury of having a gas supply to their homes and in the case of oil, wood, LPG and solid fuel must pay upfront prior to delivery for their winter fuel. Finding a large sum to cover this cost can and does force people into very dire straits. The unintended consequences have not all been identified or even been considered.
- Commits to signing the 'Save the Winter Fuel Payment for Struggling Pensioners' petition being run by Age UK and write to all members offering them

the opportunity to sign the petition themselves.

Proposed Cllr Carl Macey

Seconded Cllr Dan McNally

12. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS:

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13. DRAFT MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

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To note the Open and Exempt Minutes of Audit and Governance Committee held on 11 September 2024.

14. AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24:

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To note the Annual Audit and Governance Committee report following review by the Audit and Governance Committee.

15. QUESTIONS:

To answer questions pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The programmed date for the next Meeting of the Council will be 11th December 2024.

17. EXEMPT INFORMATION:

To consider excluding the public and press for the following items and if appropriate the Chairman to move:-

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18. DELIVERY OF THE ELDC TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMME: 103 - 120

To consider a report to deliver the ELDC Temporary Accommodation Programme Utilising the £1million funding allocated through the Council's Capital Programme and the award of DLUHC LAHF 3 funding for Temporary and Resettlement homes.

Please Note: Appendix A is Exempt

19. REPORTS FROM SCRUTINY AND POLICY PANELS:

a) **Scrutiny Panel Report - To review the running of Invest East Lindsey Limited, with a particular focus on Kingfisher Caravan Park:** 121 - 240

To consider a Scrutiny Report.

Please Note: Appendix A1 is Exempt