## **ASHFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL**



Council Offices, Urban Road, Kirkby in Ashfield Nottingham NG17 8DA

# **Agenda**

# Extraordinary Council Meeting State of Ashfield Debate – Cost of Living Crisis

Date: Thursday, 8th December, 2022

Time: **7.00 pm** 

Venue: Council Chamber, Council Offices, Urban Road,

Kirkby-in-Ashfield

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## Please note:

Refreshments will be provided in the Committee Room from 6.20pm onwards and all attendees are warmly invited to attend

## Council

## **Membership**

Chairman:Councillor David WaltersVice-Chairman:Councillor Dale Grounds

Councillors:

John Baird Chris Baron Kier Barsby Jamie Bell

Will Bostock **Christian Chapman** Samantha Deakin Melanie Darrington Andy Gascoyne Arnie Hankin Andrew Harding David Hennigan Tom Hollis **Trevor Locke** Rachel Madden Sarah Madigan David Martin Andy Meakin Keir Morrison Lauren Mitchell Warren Nuttall Nicholas Parvin Matthew Relf Kevin Rostance Dave Shaw Phil Rostance

John Smallridge Helen-Ann Smith
Lee Waters Caroline Wilkinson
Daniel Williamson John Wilmott

Jason Zadrozny

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### **SUMMONS**

You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of the Council to be held at the time/place and on the date mentioned above for the purpose of transacting the business set out below.

Theresa Hodgkinson Chief Executive

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- 1. To receive apologies for absence, if any.
- 2. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Personal Interests and/or Non-Registrable Interests.
- 3. Welcome and Introduction by the Chairman of the Council:

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 19.1, as Chairman of the Council, I have called an extraordinary meeting of the Council for the purposes of a State of Ashfield debate focussing on the Cost of Living Crisis.

The purpose of the meeting is to enable the Leader and his Cabinet to gather information on the issues and matters which are of concern to Members and which can be considered as part of the preparations for business planning and the proposals for the Council's budget and policy framework for the forthcoming year.

No formal recommendations or decisions will be taken at the meeting. In accordance with Rule 19, the form of meeting has been agreed with the Leader of the Council and is set out in the Appendix to the Agenda.

In order to enable effective discussion to take place, a Member of the Council will move in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 30.1 the suspension of Rule 16 (Rules of Debate).

- 4. Introduction by the Chief Executive. (15 minutes)
- 5. Presentation by Kathryn Stacey, Chief Executive, Citizens' Advice Ashfield. (15 minutes)
- 6. Presentation by Angie Peppard, Our Centre Manager. (10 minutes)
- 7. Presentation by Trevor Clay/Yvonne Campbell, Under One Roof Community Resource Centre.
  (10 minutes)

- 8. Presentation by Mid Nottinghamshire Placed Based Partnership. (10 minutes)
- 9. Question and Answer Session. (45 minutes)
- 10. Summation by Leader of the Council and Next Steps. (15 minutes)

## STATE OF ASHFIELD DEBATE - FORMAT OF MEETING

- 1. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 19, the Chairman of the Council has called a State of Ashfield Debate
- 2. In accordance with Rules 19.1 and 19.2, the Chairman of the Council and the Leader of the Council have decided on the form of the debate.
- 3. The main purpose of the meeting is to enable the Leader of the Council and his Cabinet to gather information on issues and matters of concern that will ultimately feed into the budget and policy framework.
- 4. It is important for the meeting to be held in an open and constructive manner but with a structured approach.
- 5. The meeting will be audio recorded and will be available for download on request.
- 6. The meeting will consist of a series of presentations and a question and answer session. Each presentation and the question and answer session will be allocated a time limit.
- 7. To enable active participation and an informative question and answer session:
  - Council Procedure Rule 16 should be suspended as provided for in Rule 30.1, so
    that the normal rules of debate for Council meetings will not apply. This will mean
    that a more flexible committee style of meeting can occur. Members will be able to
    ask multiple questions rather than only being able to speak once, but Members will
    not be able to give speeches.
  - Other Council Procedure Rules will still be applied to ensure the meeting is conducted in a properly respectful manner.
- 8. No formal recommendations or decisions will be taken at the Council meeting but informal next steps and common understandings between all parties will be formulated.