

## COUNCIL

A meeting of Council will be held at Council Chamber, Fenland Hall, County Road, March on MONDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2026 at 4.00 PM and I request you to attend accordingly for transaction of the following business:

- 1 To receive apologies for absence.
- 2 Previous Minutes (Pages 5 - 10)  
  
To confirm and sign the minutes of 15 December 2025.
- 3 Civic Engagements Update. (Pages 11 - 12)
- 4 To receive any announcements from the Chairman of the Council and/or the Head of Paid Service.
- 5 To receive members' declaration of any interests under the Local Code of Conduct or any interest under the Code of Conduct on Planning Matters in respect of any item to be discussed at the meeting.
- 6 To receive questions from, and provide answers to, councillors in relation to matters which, in the opinion of the Chairman, accord with the provisions of Procedure Rules 8.4 and 8.6.
- 7 To receive reports from and ask questions of Cabinet members with portfolio holder responsibilities, in accordance with Procedure Rules 8.1 and 8.2. (Pages 13 - 38)
- 8 Motion by Councillor Boden (Pages 39 - 40)  
  
Motion submitted by Councillor Boden on 'Breaking the Bottlenecks: A plan to unlock growth in Whittlesey and Chatteris'.
- 9 Motion by Councillor Mrs Laws (Pages 41 - 42)  
  
Motion submitted by Councillor Mrs Laws on reducing the B1040 closure risk owing to flooding.
- 10 Motion by Councillor Taylor (Pages 43 - 44)  
  
Motion submitted by Councillor Taylor on the Government's Animal Welfare Strategy.
- 11 Business Plan 2026/27 (Pages 45 - 64)  
  
For Council to consider and approve the Final Business Plan 2026/27

12 Corporate Budget 2026/27 (Pages 65 - 116)

Revised General Fund Budget and Capital Programme 2025/26;  
General Fund Budget Estimates 2026/27 and Medium Term Financial  
Strategy (MTFS) 2026/27 to 2030/31; Capital Programme 2026/27 to  
2028/29

13 Council Tax Resolution 2026/27 (Pages 117 - 120)

Following consideration of this report to Council on 23 February 2026  
and the setting of the Revenue Budget for 2026/27, the Council is  
required to pass the resolution to set the Council Tax requirement.

14 RECAP Waste Strategy (Pages 121 - 218)

To approve and adopt the updated Waste Strategy for Cambridgeshire  
and Peterborough Waste Partnership and in support of the updated  
Waste Strategy, to approve and adopt an updated Fenland Recycling  
Plan.

15 Licensing Service - S113 Agreement (Pages 219 - 222)

To recommend Council approve entry into a Section 113 agreement  
with Huntingdonshire District Council for the provision of an interim  
Licensing Manager pending more detailed consideration of alternative  
arrangements to include the direct employment of a Licensing Manager.

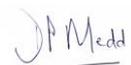
16 Local Plan - S113 Agreement (Pages 223 - 226)

To recommend Council approve entry into a Section 113 agreement  
with Uttlesford District Council for provision of services to progress the  
development of a new Local Plan for Fenland.

17 Senior Manager Pay Policy (Pages 227 - 236)

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt the Senior Manager  
Pay Policy Statement for 2025-2026.

Fenland Hall  
March



Chief Executive

Friday, 13 February 2026

**NOTE** The Council may, by resolution, as exemplified below, exclude the public from a meeting during the consideration of any item of business whenever it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that, if members of the public were present, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Section 100 I of the Local Government Act, 1972

"Resolved that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for Item No./Minute No. on the grounds that the item involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act"