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Date: Wednesday, 22 September 2021

To all Members of the Council

Dear Councillor

A Meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday, 30 September 2021 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Rushcliffe Arena, Rugby Road, West Bridgford to consider the following items of business.

This meeting will be accessible and open to the public via the live stream on YouTube and viewed via the link: <https://www.youtube.com/user/RushcliffeBC>
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Yours sincerely



Sanjit Sull
Monitoring Officer

AGENDA

Moment of Reflection

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2021 (Pages 1 - 18)

To receive as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 1 July 2021.

4. Mayor's Announcements
5. Leader's Announcements
6. Chief Executive's Announcements

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7. Petitions

To receive any petitions in accordance with Standing Order No. 10 and the Council's Petitions Scheme.

8. Citizens' Questions

To answer questions submitted by Citizens on the Council or its services.

9. Petition: Community Governance Review (Bingham Town Council) (Pages 19 - 28)

The report of the Chief Executive is attached.

10. Appointment of Independent Persons (Pages 29 - 32)

The report of the Monitoring Officer is attached.

11. Devolution and "Levelling Up" in Nottinghamshire (Pages 33 - 38)

The report of the Chief Executive is attached.

12. Notices of Motion

To receive Notices of Motion submitted under Standing Order No.12

- a) This Council calls on the Government to provide funding over five years to local authorities accommodating vulnerable Afghan Refugees so that practical and social support can be provided and in the case of large families, considers deferring the application of benefit caps to avoid recreating poverty and homelessness.

Councillor R Jones

- b) This Council recognises that food waste contributes hugely to climate change and appreciates the carbon benefits that could be realised if Rushcliffe's household food waste was collected separately and processed via Anaerobic Digestion or In-Vessel Composting. Council will seek to influence relevant partners and agencies to bring this forward as soon as is practically possible.

Councillor C Thomas

- c) The "Planning for the Future" White Paper appears to be in tatters due to many of the government's own supporters having turned on it and the recent Cabinet reshuffle. The proposals could take away the right of local communities to comment on individual planning decisions by introducing zones where consent in principle is predetermined. Combined with wide-ranging changes to "permitted development rights"

this is undermining the more democratic process that has regulated planning decisions for generations.

This Council calls on the government to halt the destructive programme of so called "planning reform" set out in the "Planning for the Future" White Paper, particularly the zoning proposals, and keep local councillors, communities, and democracy at the heart of the planning process.

Councillor J Walker

13. Questions from Councillors

To answer questions submitted by Councillors under Standing Order No. 11(2)

Membership

Chairman: Councillor S Mallender

Vice-Chairman: Councillor T Combella

Councillors: R Adair, S Bailey, B Bansal, M Barney, K Beardsall, N Begum, A Brennan, B Buschman, R Butler, N Clarke, J Cottee, G Dickman, A Edyvean, M Gaunt, P Gowland, B Gray, L Healy, L Howitt, R Inglis, Mrs C Jeffreys, R Jones, R Mallender, D Mason, G Moore, J Murray, A Phillips, F Purdue-Horan, S J Robinson, K Shaw, D Simms, J Stockwood, Mrs M Stockwood, C Thomas, R Upton, D Viridi, J Walker, R Walker, L Way, G Wheeler, J Wheeler and G Williams

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