

AGENDA



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| For a meeting of the |
| COUNCIL |
| to be held on |
| FRIDAY, 1 MARCH 2013 |
| at |
| 2.00 PM |
| in the |
| COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, ST. PETER'S HILL, GRANTHAM |
| Beverly Agass, Chief Executive |

Members of the Council are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed below.

For those Councillors who wish to attend, prayers will be held in the Council Chamber at 1:55pm before the commencement of the meeting. Please be seated by 1:50pm.

1. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

The public open forum will commence at **2.00 p.m.** and the following formal business of the Council will commence at **2.30 p.m.** or whenever the public open forum ends, if earlier.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Members are asked to disclose any interests in matters for consideration at the meeting.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 DECEMBER 2012

(Attached)

5. COMMUNICATIONS (INCLUDING CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS)

(Attached)

6. DETERMINATION OF BUDGET 2013/14 (AND INDICATIVE FOR 2014/15 AND 2015/16) - GENERAL FUND, HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND PAY POLICY STATEMENT

Report number HOF225 of the Leader of the Council, the Resources and Assets Portfolio Holder and the Good Housing Portfolio Holder. **(Attached)**

7. CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES

Report number HOF222 of the Head of Finance. **(Attached)**

8. QUESTIONS WITHOUT DISCUSSION

To note the list of questions asked under Council procedure rule 11.1 as circulated at the start of the meeting and their reference to the relevant Policy Development Group.

9. NOTICES OF MOTION GIVEN UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12:

From Councillor Mrs Linda Neal

Members have before them a copy of a letter from the End Fuel Poverty Coalition and a copy of the proposed commitment. Fuel poverty is a growing issue and recent energy price rises could force many more households into fuel poverty. Energy efficiency improvements to homes are the most effective means to take people out of fuel poverty in the medium to long term. £4 billion will be raised each year for the next 15 years from the European Emissions Trading Scheme and the Carbon Floor Price. The funding from carbon taxes could potentially take 9 out of 10 fuel poor households out of fuel poverty if spent on improving the energy efficiency standards of their homes.

Taking into account the content of the letter and the commitment, this Council is asked to resolve to:

- Support the End Fuel Poverty Coalition's local authority fuel poverty commitment
- Support the Energy Bill Revolution's campaign call for carbon taxes to be spent on reducing fuel poverty.

The deadline for notices of motion for the meeting scheduled for 18 April 2013 will be 2pm on Friday 5 April 2013.