

Council

Annual Meeting



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

Thursday, 22 May 2025 at 2.00 pm
Council Chamber - South Kesteven House,
St. Peter's Hill, Grantham. NG31 6PZ

Members: Councillor Paul Fellows, Chairman of the Council
Councillor Ian Selby, Vice-Chairman of the Council

Councillor Matthew Bailey
Councillor Emma Baker
Councillor Rhys Baker
Councillor Ashley Baxter
Councillor David Bellamy
Councillor Harrish Bisnauthsing
Councillor Pam Bosworth
Councillor Pam Byrd
Councillor Richard Cleaver
Councillor Helen Crawford
Councillor Steven Cunningham
Councillor James Denniston
Councillor Phil Dilks
Councillor Richard Dixon-Warren
Councillor Barry Dobson
Councillor Patsy Ellis
Councillor Phil Gadd
Councillor Ben Green

Councillor Tim Harrison
Councillor Graham Jeal
Councillor Gloria Johnson
Councillor Anna Kelly
Councillor Jane Kingman
Councillor Gareth Knight
Councillor Philip Knowles
Councillor Zoe Lane
Councillor Robert Leadenhall
Councillor Bridget Ley
Councillor Nikki Manterfield
Councillor Paul Martin
Councillor Penny Milnes
Councillor Virginia Moran
Councillor Charmaine Morgan
Councillor Chris Noon
Councillor Habibur Rahman
Councillor Rhea Rayside

Councillor Nick Robins
Councillor Penny Robins
Councillor Susan Sandall
Councillor Max Sawyer
Councillor Rob Shorrock
Councillor Vanessa Smith
Councillor Peter Stephens
Councillor Lee Steptoe
Councillor Ian Stokes
Councillor Paul Stokes
Councillor Elvis Stooke
Councillor Rosemary Trollope-Bellew
Councillor Sarah Trotter
Councillor Murray Turner
Councillor Mark Whittington
Councillor Jane Wood
Councillor Paul Wood
Councillor Sue Woolley

Agenda

This meeting can be watched as a live stream, or at a later date, [via the SKDC Public-I Channel](#)

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

1. Apologies for absence

2. Election of Chairman

3. Election of Vice-Chairman

4. Public Open Forum

The public open forum is for a period of 30 minutes, if there are any questions or statements from members of the public.

5. Disclosure of Interests

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

6. Minutes of previous meetings

(Pages 5 - 31)

Held on 27 February 2025 (ordinary) and 18 March 2025 (Extraordinary).

7. Communications (including Chairman's Announcements)

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8. Announcement by the Leader of the Council on the Size and Membership of Cabinet and Cabinet Members' Remits

9. Programme of Meetings of Full Council, Cabinet and Committees for 2025/2026 (Pages 35 - 39)

To approve a programme of ordinary meetings of Full Council, Cabinet, Overview and Committees and other Committees of the Council for the 2025/2026 municipal year.

10. Appointments to Committees and Panels of the Council and appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen

(To Follow)

This report sets out the requirements placed on Full Council for the appointment of Members to its Committees and Panels, and the appointment of their Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen.

All Political Group Leaders are responsible for nominating Members from within their respective Groups to each of the Committees/Panels, in accordance with the political proportionality of the Authority as appropriate. Full Council will appoint the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees.

11. Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies

(Pages 41 - 46)

To provide the Council with the opportunity to make appointments or change representation on Outside Bodies.

12. Governance and Audit Committee Annual Report 2024/25

(Pages 47 - 62)

To present the Annual Report of the Governance and Audit Committee for 2024/25 to Council including the indicative work plan and timetable for 2025/26.

13. Budget Framework Amendments 2025/2026 (Pages 63 - 81)
The purpose of this report is to seek budget framework amendments to the 2025/2026 financial year

14. Appointment of Independent Persons (Pages 83 - 87)
This report concerns the appointment of two additional people to the post of Independent Person. The post is a requirement under the Localism Act 2011 and is to assist the Council in promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct amongst its elected members and town and parish councillors. The post also assists the Employment Committee in matters relating to the discipline and dismissal of its statutory officers.

15. Decisions Taken Under Urgency (Pages 89 - 91)
To inform members of any decisions taken using urgency provisions during 2024/2025.

16. Members' Open Questions
A 45-minute period in which members may ask questions of the Leader, Cabinet Members, the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees and opposition group leaders excluding the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee, Licensing and Alcohol, Entertainment and Late Night Refreshment Licensing Committees and Governance and Audit Committee.

17. Close of meeting