

Lowestoft Town Council Budget and Loan Sub-Committee

For the attention of all Sub-Committee Members

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Budget and Loan Sub-Committee of Lowestoft Town Council, which will be a video meeting via Zoom, at 10:00 on 12 October 2020. **Members of the public are welcome to observe the meeting and submit comments regarding any item on the agenda in advance of the meeting. The link for members of the public to observe the meeting is as follows: <https://youtu.be/zpcYhbKh4w4>. The link for Councillors to access the Zoom meeting will be sent separately via email. The minutes and all public documents associated with this agenda will be published as usual.** *In providing any comments members of the public accept that, where they are suitable, they may be considered at the meeting and published in our minutes. Any individual submitting the comments should ensure that their name, address and contact details are included in their communication and should note that anonymous submissions will not be accepted. Members of the public accept that their name may be noted and recorded at the meeting. However, their contact details will not be noted and reported publicly.*

Councillors must register relevant interests and also declare them at a meeting if they have such an interest in a matter to be considered. Under the Localism Act 2011 a councillor with a **disclosable pecuniary interest** in a matter on the Agenda cannot take part or vote on that matter, unless they have been granted a dispensation. Under the Council's Code of Conduct a councillor must leave the meeting room if they have such an interest, unless they have been granted a dispensation. There may be other interests or matters in which councillors might be considered to be biased or predetermined in which cases they will need to consider whether they should be present.

The Council has a duty to pay due regard to preventing crime and disorder and to conserve biodiversity as part of relevant decisions.

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Shona Bendix, Clerk
5 October 2020

Lowestoft Town Council
Meeting of the Budget and Loan Sub-Committee
Via Video Meeting
10:00 on 12 October 2020

AGENDA

14. Welcome

To welcome the meeting and remind Councillors and members of the public of the right to report and noting the application of the video meeting protocol.

15. To receive and consider acceptance of apologies for absence

16. Declarations of Interests and dispensations

16.1 To receive Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests from Councillors on items on the Agenda and to note that there are no written requests and grants of dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

17. To receive any comments and note that the draft minutes of the meetings on 24 August 2020 and 1 October 2020 will be considered at the next appropriate meeting

18. To consider any advance comments from the public on any matters on this agenda

19. To consider the 2020 – 2021 Lowestoft Town Council Budget, including the following:

19.1 To note the decision of the Finance and Governance Committee regarding hampers to offer thanks to staff at Lowestoft care homes and staff at the James Paget Hospital's Intensive Care Unit, and to consider any additional arrangements

20. To consider the 2021 – 2022 Lowestoft Town Council Budget, including the following:

20.1 To consider any further advice regarding the Lowestoft Taxbase Forecast and its impact on the precept

20.2 To consider a request from the First Light Festival for funding of £8,000 in principle, towards running the festival in 2021

20.3 To note the Finance and Governance Committee's decision regarding amplification improvements to Hamilton House, and to consider any additional arrangements, including where within the budget the funding will come from

20.4 To consider an appropriate budget for the provision of Christmas lights on London Road South, the High Street and Bevan Street East

20.5 To consider an appropriate budget provision for the professional development of staff (some aspects may be confidential)

20.6 To consider investment options, in line with the Town Council's Investment Policy (some aspects may be confidential)

20.7 To consider the future of the East Suffolk Norse contract, and cost (confidential)

21. Date of the next meeting

22. Items for the next Agenda and Close

23. To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely any legal issues relating to the matters on this agenda

23.1 To consider any legal matters, including those above as required