



Wyre Borough Council
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Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Wyre Borough Council to be held at the Civic Centre, Breck Road, Poulton-le-Fylde on **Thursday, 15 September 2022** commencing at 7.00 pm.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Garry Payne".

Garry Payne
Chief Executive

The Mayor will invite the Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend John Squires, to say prayers.

COUNCIL AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Confirmation of minutes** (Pages 7 - 12)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 7 July 2022.
3. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of interest from any Member on any item on this agenda.
4. **Announcements**

To receive any announcements from the Mayor, Leader of the Council, Deputy Leader of the Council, Members of the Cabinet, a Chairman of a Committee or the Chief Executive.
5. **Public questions or statements**

To receive any questions or statements from members of the public under Council Procedure Rule 9.1.

6. Questions "On Notice" from councillors

To receive any questions from Members of the Council to the Mayor, a member of the Cabinet or the Chairman of a Committee under Council Procedure Rule 12.1.

7. Executive reports

To receive reports from Cabinet Members. (In accordance with Procedure Rule 11.3 Councillors will be able to ask questions or make comments).

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| (a) | Leader of the Council (Councillor Henderson) | (Pages 13 - 16) |
| (b) | Resources Portfolio Holder (Councillor Michael Vincent) | (Pages 17 - 20) |
| (c) | Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio Holder (Councillor Bridge) | (Pages 21 - 24) |
| (d) | Planning Policy and Economic Development Portfolio Holder (Councillor Collinson) | (Pages 25 - 26) |
| (e) | Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder (Councillor Berry) | (Pages 27 - 30) |
| (f) | Leisure, Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder (Councillor Bowen) | (Pages 31 - 34) |

8. Appointments to Committees (Pages 35 - 38)

Report of Councillor David Henderson, Leader of the Council and Garry Payne, Chief Executive.

9. Periodic report - Armed Forces Champion (Pages 39 - 42)

Report of Councillor Peter Le Marinel, Armed Forces Champion.

10. Notices of Motion

Notice of Motion 1

The following Notice of Motion submitted under Paragraph 14 of the Council Procedure Rules has been submitted by Councillors Fail, Beavers, Longton, Raynor, Smith and Stirzaker:

"Standing up for responsible tax conduct

Councillors across the UK and in Wyre work hard to serve their local communities and help direct the delivery of essential public services. By signing up to the Councils for Fair Tax Declaration, councils can demonstrate alignment to their values and encourage responsible tax practice through:

- leading by example on tax conduct*
- demanding to know who owns and profits from businesses the council buys from – UK and overseas – and their full financial reports*
- joining calls for UK public procurement rules to change so that councils can do more to tackle tax avoidance and award points to suppliers that demonstrate responsible tax conduct.*

Full Council resolves to:

- 1) Sign up to the Councils for Fair Tax Declaration.*
- 2) Lead by example and demonstrate good practice in our tax conduct, right across our activities.*
- 3) Ensure IR35 is implemented robustly and contract workers pay a fair share of employment taxes.*
- 4) Not use offshore vehicles for the purchase of land and property, especially where this leads to reduced payments of stamp duty.*
- 5) Work with other Councils undertaking due diligence to ensure that not-for-profit structures are not being used inappropriately by suppliers as an artificial device to reduce the payment of tax and business rates.*
- 6) Demand clarity on the ultimate beneficial ownership of suppliers UK and overseas and their consolidated profit and loss position, given lack of clarity could be strong indicators of poor financial probity and weak financial standing.*
- 7) Promote Fair Tax Mark certification especially for any business in which we have a significant stake and where corporation tax is due.*
- 8) Support Fair Tax Week events in the area, and celebrate the tax contribution made by responsible businesses are proud to promote responsible tax conduct and pay their fair share of corporation tax.*
- 9) Support calls for urgent reform of UK procurement law to enable local authorities to better penalise poor tax*

conduct and reward good tax conduct through their procurement policies.”

Notice of Motion 2

The following Notice of Motion submitted under Paragraph 14 of the Council Procedure Rules has been submitted by Councillors Bridge, Raynor, Stirzaker and Michael Vincent:

“Fireworks are used by people throughout the year to mark different events, but they are also often used indiscriminately with no thought for the detrimental impact on residents or animals. While they can bring much enjoyment to some people, they can cause significant problems and fear for other people and animals.

They can be a source of fear and distress for many animals (including pet animals, farm livestock and wildlife). Animals affected not only suffer psychological distress but can also cause themselves injuries – sometimes very serious ones – as they attempt to run away or hide from the noise.

This Council resolves:

- 1) to encourage all public firework displays within the local authority boundaries to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people*
- 2) to continue to promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including the precautions that can be taken to mitigate risks*
- 3) to continue to encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock ‘quieter’ fireworks for public display*
- 4) to write to the UK Government urging them to introduce legislation*
 - o to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays*
 - o to limit the public use of fireworks on or close to specific dates and times*
 - o to tighten restrictions on the sale of fireworks in the run up to Bonfire Night*

- *to licence all public firework displays – and ensuring displays are better advertised to the public*

If you have any enquiries on this agenda, please contact Peter Foulsham, tel: 01253 887606, email: peter.foulsham@wyre.gov.uk