



GREAT YARMOUTH
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Council

Date: Tuesday, 28 September 2021

Time: 19:00

Venue: Assembly Room

Address: Town Hall, Hall Plain, Great Yarmouth, NR30 2QF

AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

You have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in a matter to be discussed if it relates to something on your Register of Interests form. You must declare the interest and leave the room while the matter is dealt with.

You have a Personal Interest in a matter to be discussed if it affects

- your well being or financial position
- that of your family or close friends
- that of a club or society in which you have a management role
- that of another public body of which you are a member to a greater extent than others in your ward.

You must declare a personal interest but can speak and vote on the matter.

Whenever you declare an interest you must say why the interest arises, so that it can be included in the minutes.

- 3 **APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2021/22**
- 4 **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL
YEAR 2021/22**
- 5 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAPLAIN FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR
2021/22**
- 6 **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- To consider any announcements.
- 7 **ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**
- To consider any items of urgent business.
- 8 **MINUTES** **7 - 20**
- To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 22 July 2021.
- 9 **LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS 2021-22** **21 - 23**
- Council are asked to consider the revised list of Committee Memberships for 2021-22.
- 10 **APPOINTMENT TO WORKING GROUPS** **24 - 26**
- Council are asked to consider the revised Appointments to Working Groups for 2021-22.
- 11 **OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATION 2021-22** **27 - 30**
- Council are asked to consider the revised Outside Body representation for 2021-22.

12 CLIMATE CHANGE - OUTSIDE BODY NOMINATION 31 - 32

Council are asked to consider the attached Outside Body Nomination.

13 SERVICE COMMITTEE DECISION LIST FOR THE PERIOD 2 33 - 41
JUNE 2021 TO 27 JULY 2021

Report attached.

14 ROUGH SLEEPING ACCOMODATION PROGRAMME BID - 42 - 47
HOUSING FIRST SCHEME

Report attached.

15 NOTICE OF MOTION

To note that the following notices of motion have been submitted:-

(a) Motion submitted by Councillors Plant, Candon, Flaxman-Taylor, Mogford, Hammond and Wells

Motion: Offshore Wind Benefits to Great Yarmouth and Norfolk

The Council recognises the multiple benefits that offshore wind power, off the Norfolk coast, presents:

- A sustainable and renewable energy source which will assist in meeting the Government's target of delivering 40 gigawatts of offshore wind power by 2030.
- A major contribution to our shared ambition to tackle climate change.
- Significant employment and skills opportunities, especially in areas like Great Yarmouth. Norfolk has the potential to benefit more than any other area in England from growth in offshore wind, that will require a diverse mix of skills, with an additional **6,150 full-time well-paid jobs** forecast to be created by 2032 (New Anglia Energy Recovery and Resilience Plan).

The Council also:

- Recognises the need for some of these projects to make landfall and grid connection in various parts of the county, involving cable routes and new sub-stations.
- Acknowledges the disruption that this may cause to local communities in the short term and therefore supports the need

for a coordinated and integrated approach to connecting the electricity generated from offshore wind farms to the grid.

- Recognises the need for further detailed work to be carried out by National Grid on the implications of the various options, including the:
- Wider onshore environmental implications of any new transmission network
- Economic opportunities for those coastal areas and communities affected
- Opportunities for local communities to be appropriately compensated for any impacts caused by the need for either onshore or offshore infrastructure.
- Would support any offshore transmission infrastructure which reduces the environmental and community impacts that the current approach (radial, point to point) has on the county, subject to there being no anticipated long term impact on the marine environment off the Norfolk Coast.
- Reiterates its ongoing ambition to make Great Yarmouth the energy capital of the Eastern Region.

The Council resolves to continue to work closely with:

- The Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS), National Grid; the Office for Gas and Electricity Markets (OFGEM), New Anglia LEP, local councils and energy companies to progress the work needed to secure the long term environmental and economic benefits of offshore wind, whilst minimising its impact on local communities as far as possible.
- BEIS on the Government Offshore Transmission Network Review.
- Major companies, their supply chains and local colleges to develop employment and skills strategies to ensure that the high quality jobs set to be created in the sector over the next 50 years, are accessible to, and promoted to, Norfolk residents.

(b) Motion submitted by Councillors Wainwright, Bernard Williamson, Tony Wright, Colleen Walker, Brian Walker.

That this Council writes to The Rt Hon Therese Coffey MP Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, and The Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP Chancellor of the Exchequer to reverse the proposed cut to Universal Credit of £20 per week, £1040 PA.

This cut is being called the biggest overnight Social Security cut since World War 2. Doctors, charities and even some Conservative MPs are calling on the Government to reverse its decision.

The Trussell Trust estimates that nearly a quarter of a million

parents on Universal Credit fear not being able to sufficiently put Dinner on the table for their children when the £20 cut comes into force from October. Many of these parents in Great Yarmouth.

In Great Yarmouth 18.4% of the population was income-deprived in 2019. Of the 316 local authorities in England, Great Yarmouth is ranked 32nd most income-deprived.

Of the 61 Neighbourhoods in Great Yarmouth 21 were amongst the 20% most deprived in England.

In June 2021 there were 14076 people claiming Universal Credit in Great Yarmouth, many of these people in work, and 5511 Children living in poverty.

This cut is creating nervousness, and many residents fear and worry about what is going to happen, and how can they manage when I have £20 less per week, how am I going to put food on the table? How am I going to heat my home in the winter?

I am sure that £20 per week is not a lot of money for some people, but for others it is a matter of survival, and I urge all Members to support this Resolution.

16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

To consider any other business as may be determined by the Chairman of the meeting as being of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration.

17 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

In the event of the Committee wishing to exclude the public from the meeting, the following resolution will be moved:-

"That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12(A) of the said Act."

18 CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX - ROUGH SLEEPING

ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMME BID - HOUSING FIRST SCHEME

Details

19 CONFIDENTIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE DECISION LIST FOR THE PERIOD 2 JUNE 2021 TO 27 JULY 2021

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