

	<i>Meeting (No)</i>	Full Council (5)
	<i>Time & Date</i>	21st January 2025 at 6.00pm
	<i>Location</i>	Neston Town Hall
AGENDA		

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Members,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to be held at **Neston Town Hall** on **Tuesday 21st January at 6pm** for the purpose of transacting the business of the Council as set out below.

Date of notice: 15th January 2025

Zoë Dean
Locum Chief Officer
Neston Town Council

The meeting is held in public and members of the public and the press are encouraged to attend. Occasionally, confidential items pertaining to contractual or staffing matters have to be discussed in "Part 2" where only Councillors and reporting officers can be present.

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PART 1: Items to be considered in the presence of the press and public

		Document reference
58	Apologies for Absence To receive and consider acceptance, and to note other absences.	
59	Declarations of Interest To receive Councillors' Disclosure of Ordinary or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in relation to any items on the agenda for this meeting.	
60	Minutes of the Meeting To accept and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 22/10/2024 and the minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council meeting held on 03/12/2024.	FC5/60(i) FC5/60(ii)
61	Questions and Comments from Residents To receive representation of a maximum of 3 minutes per person and an overall limit of 30 minutes on any item of business included on the agenda.	
62	Committee Minutes To approve minutes from the following committee meetings:	
a)	Market & Town Hall Committee held on 19/11/24	FC5/62a

b)	Community & Environment Committee held on 22/10/2024 and 26/11/2024.	FC5/62b
c)	Finance & Administration Committee held on 12/11/2024 and 10/12/2024.	FC5/62c
d)	HR Committee held on 10/12/2024.	FC5/62d
63	Insurance Provision 2025/26	
	To note that year 3 of the 3-year insurance term with Zurich Municipal is due to be paid in January 2025.	
64	Ranger Service	
a)	To receive a report entitled Ranger Service – Next Steps	FC5/64a
b)	To approve the updated job description and person specification as recommended by the Community & Environment Committee.	FC5/64b
c)	To agree a way forward, allocate a maximum budget and set objectives, delegating management of the service to C&E Committee, where appropriate.	
d)	To provide C&E with the delegated authority to use a series of approved contractors for projects below a maximum amount of £1,000, in liaison with the Chair of the Committee.	
65	2025/2026 Budget Setting	
a)	To receive the RFO reports; budget report, EMRs and band rates.	FC5/65a
b)	To consider and approve the draft budget calculation 2025/2026 as recommended by Finance & Administration and informed by Council committees.	FC5/65b
66	Precept 2025/2026	
	To approve the precept request from Cheshire West & Chester Council in order to fund Neston Town Council for 2025/26.	FC5/66
67	Locum Chief Officer's Report	
	To receive a report.	FC5/67
68	Exclusion of the Press and Public	
	To consider that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.	
PART 2: Items to be considered in the absence of the press and public		
69	Recommendation from HR Committee (HR2/21)	
	Locum Chief Officer's Contract Extension To extend the Locum Chief Officer's contract for a 9-month period with effect from 1 st January 2025 – 30 th September 2025.	

Neston Town Council Mission:

We are helping to create an environmentally sustainable and thriving market town for Neston's residents, businesses and visitors by fostering a strong community spirit and improving and increasing the range of locally run services.