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Dear Sir/Madam

I summon you to the MEETING of the LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL to be held at COUNTY HALL, GLENFIELD on WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2015 at 2.30 p.m. for the transaction of the business set out in the agenda below.

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive

AGENDA

1. Chairman's Announcements.
2. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 3 December 2014. (Pages 3 - 20)
3. To receive declarations by members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.
4. To answer questions asked under Standing Order 7(1)(2) and (5).
5. To consider a budget report of the Cabinet as follows:-
 - (a) Medium Term Financial Strategy 2015/16 - 2018/19. (Pages 21 – 54 together with Appendices A – O on pages B3 – B144 at the end of this Council booklet)



6. To consider the following notice/s of motion:

(a) Snibston - Mr. R. Sharp CC.

“(a) This Council notes:-

- (i) the decision of Cabinet on the 14th January 2015 to close Snibston Discovery Museum in its current form;
- (ii) the important contribution that the Science and Technology Museum at Snibston has made to Coalville’s heritage and ongoing economic prosperity, bringing £4.2m into the Coalville economy every year and inspiring children across and beyond Leicestershire to take up STEM subjects at school;
- (iii) the strength of support for retaining Snibston Discovery Museum from right across Leicestershire, including cross party support;
- (iv) the County Council’s preferred plan as presented to the Scrutiny Committee lacked detail and that the plan to disperse the Museum Collections currently held at Snibston and replace the existing Gallery with a smaller mining museum would require one-off capital and revenue transition costs that might not be affordable after the next Comprehensive Spending Review.

(b) This Council, therefore, calls on the Cabinet to reverse its decision to stop efforts to save the Discovery Museum and instruct officers to work with the Friends of Snibston and their associated museum experts so that, through co-operation, robust analysis and constructive challenge, a financially viable plan for Snibston Discovery Museum might be established that makes the savings required whilst retaining this facility for the benefit of the people of Leicestershire, noting that such work with the Friends of Snibston can be undertaken in parallel to the existing planning so that there is no risk of slippage in the delivery of the financial savings required.”