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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, 26 SEPTEMBER 2018 at 2.00 p.m. for the transaction of the business set out in the agenda below.

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive

### AGENDA

1. Chairman's Announcements.
1. (a) Report of the Returning Officer.
2. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 27 June 2018. (Pages 3 - 16)
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).

#### To dispose of business from the last meeting.

5. Report of the Constitution Committee.
  - (a) Review of Standing Orders (Meeting Procedure Rules). (Pages 17 - 20)
6. To receive position statements under Standing Order 8.

#### To consider reports of the Cabinet, Scrutiny Commission, Scrutiny Committees and other bodies:

7. Report of the Corporate Governance Committee.



- (a) Outcome of the Investigation by the Member Conduct Panel. (Pages 21 - 26)
8. To make the following appointment in accordance with item 12 of Standing Order 4:-
- (a) To appoint a parent governor representative to serve on the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee - Report of the Chief Executive. (Pages 27 - 38)
9. To consider the following notice/s of motion:
- (a) A New Unitary Structure for Local Government in Leicestershire - Mr S J Galton CC
- (a) That this Council:-
- (i) Notes with regret that the Leader's proposal to create a single Unitary Council for the whole of Leicestershire was announced by email and press release 2 days after the last Council Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> June;
  - (ii) Expresses concern that the proposals are being drawn up by the Administration at County Hall without the involvement of all councils affected and not on a cross party basis;
  - (iii) Believes it is essential that any reorganisation ensures Local Government remains local and does not create a democratic deficit;
  - (iv) Believes that the preferred option being advocated by the Leader and the Cabinet fails to address the fundamental and historic underfunding of public services in Leicestershire;
  - (v) Notes that one of the stated drivers for change is the need to create a Strategic Alliance for the East Midlands although it is not clear what level of support this has outside Leicestershire and what benefits would result;
  - (vi) Notes that the 2014 Ernst and Young report commissioned by the County Council suggesting that savings of £31m could be achieved contained inaccuracies and that reorganisations elsewhere have failed to deliver the level of savings indicated in consultants' reports;
- (b) This Council therefore requests the Cabinet to reconsider the current process and commence a more open and inclusive process with representatives from all affected tiers to consider how Local Government can be improved in Leicestershire.