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Dear Sir/Madam

I summon you to the ANNUAL MEETING of the LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL to be held at COUNTY HALL, GLENFIELD on WEDNESDAY, 18 MAY 2022 at 2.00 p.m. for the transaction of the business set out in the agenda below.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

AGENDA

1. To elect a Chairman.
2. To elect a Vice Chairman
3. Chairman's Announcements.
4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 23 February 2022. (Pages 5 - 20)
5. To receive declarations by members of interests in respect of items on this agenda.
6. To answer questions asked under Standing Order 7(1)(2) and (5).
7. To receive position statements under Standing Order 8.



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

8. Reports of the Cabinet
 - (a) Leicestershire County Council's Strategic Plan 2022 - 2026 (Pages 21 - 80)
 - (b) Leicestershire County Council's Communities Strategy - Our Communities Approach 2022 - 2026 (Pages 81 - 104)
 - (c) Dates of Council Meetings 2022/23 and 2023/24. (Pages 105 - 106)
9. To make the following appointments in accordance with items 11 and 12 of Standing Order 4:
 - (a) To appoint the Leader (and to note the members which the Leader proposes to appoint to the Cabinet);
 - (b) To appoint such Cabinet Support Members as the Council considers appropriate;
 - (c) To appoint members of the Scrutiny Commission, Boards and Committees;
10. To consider the following notices of motion:
 - (a) Cost of Living in Leicestershire - Mr Max Hunt CC
 1. That this Council notes:
 - (a) That many residents of the County:
 - are now finding it very hard to meet their domestic fuel bills;
 - are finding a rise in the price of ordinary commodities from food to household products;
 - are facing escalating fuel costs at the petrol stations with no alternative options;
 - will be receiving lower wages in real terms for the foreseeable future, including many working in the public sector;
 - are struggling with the latest Council Tax and National Insurance tax rises.
 - (b) That the Bank of England officially forecasts an inflation rate of 10.2% in the fourth quarter of this year; this being based on a rise in fuel cap from £1,971 to £2,800 in October.
 - (c) That price rises are more likely to adversely affect those on low incomes living in deprived communities who will also be prey to the seductive loans which are often at exorbitant rates of interest.
 - (d) And welcomes the establishment of a Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland (LLR) wide group to be

chaired by a representative from the Leicester Cathedral and comprising the County Council, City Council, District Councils, Rutland, voluntary sector, NHS and the DWP to address the impact of the cost of living crisis.

2. That this County Council requests:

(a) That the LLR wide group referred to in (d) above develop an action plan to:

- Improve debt advice and access to that advice through Contact Plus and other avenues.
- Prioritise action to identify and contain illegal money lenders.
- Widen interventions on child poverty.
- Develop new initiatives to support struggling families.

(b) That the County Council work with District Councils and others to explore ways to:

- Optimise the distribution of the Household Support Fund.
- Increase take-up of Council Tax Support.
- Identify any mitigation of financial risks to small businesses.

(b) Ukrainian Refugees - Mr M. T. Mullaney CC

(a) That this Council offers its solidarity with the people of Ukraine who are suffering the ongoing trauma of the unprovoked aggression of the Russian invasion.

(b) That this Council welcomes the incredibly warm hearted and generous response from many Leicestershire residents who have taken Ukrainian refugees into their homes.

(c) That this Council notes that a number of local authorities have already provided free bus passes to Ukrainian refugees living in their areas and calls on the Cabinet to consider a scheme to provide free bus passes to those Ukrainian refugees coming to live in Leicestershire.