

SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

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**You are summoned to attend a meeting of
the Council
on Tuesday, 14 December 2021, at 6.30 p.m.
in the Assembly Room, Kendal Town Hall, Kendal**

***Note – For those who wish to attend, Prayers will be said
in the Assembly Room at 6.20 p.m.***

Membership Councillors

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Robin Ashcroft
Rupert Audland
Pat Bell
Ben Berry
Roger Bingham
Jonathan Brook
Helen Chaffey
Stephen Coleman
Ben Cooper
Brian Cooper
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Kevin Holmes
Vicky Hughes
Helen Irving
Ali Jama
Andrew Jarvis
Janette Jenkinson
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Helen Ladhams
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Kevin Lancaster
Susanne Long
Pete McSweeney (Chairman)
Ian Mitchell
Suzie Pye
Doug Rathbone
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Monday, 6 December 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Linda Fisher'.

Linda Fisher, Legal, Governance and Democracy Lead Specialist (Monitoring Officer)

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AGENDA

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PART I

1 MINUTES

To authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11 November 2021.

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2 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Any member of the public who wishes to ask a question, make representations or present a deputation or petition at this meeting should apply to do so by no later than 0:01am (one minute past midnight) two working days before the meeting. Information on how to make the application can be obtained by viewing the Council's Website www.southlakeland.gov.uk or by contacting the Committee Services Team on 01539 733333.

(1) Questions and Representations

To receive any questions or representations which have been received from members of the public.

(2) Deputations and Petitions

To receive any deputations or petitions which have been received from members of the public.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

To receive declarations by Members of interests in respect of items on this Agenda and to consider any dispensations.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the revised Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting.)

Members may, however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

If a Member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the Monitoring Officer at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - EXCLUDED ITEMS

To consider whether the items, if any, in Part II of the Agenda should be considered in the presence of the press and public.

5 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive announcements by the Chairman.

6 NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF OFFICER

In accordance with Minute No.C/47 of the meeting of the Council held on 10 October 2018, to note the appointment of Charles Officer to the role of Human Resources Lead Specialist (verbal update).

7	LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION - IMPLEMENTATION COSTS	19 - 30
	To consider funding for the creation of the new Westmorland and Furness Council.	
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	To consider funding to increase the delivery of affordable housing in the District.	
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	To consider the first draft budget proposals for 2022/23.	
10	CUSTOMER CONNECT FIVE YEARS ON, THE OUTCOMES, BENEFITS AND FUTURE	127 - 198
	To consider the outcomes and benefits of the Customer Connect Programme since inception in 2016 and the work still to be completed over the next 18 months.	
11	CHANGES TO DELEGATED DECISIONS MAKING PROPERTY SERVICES AND UPDATES TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION	199 - 206
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13	DECISION TO OPT-IN TO THE NATIONAL SCHEME FOR AUDIT APPOINTMENTS	227 - 236
	To consider Public Sector Audit Appointments' invitation to opt into the sector-led option for the appointment of external auditors to principal local government and police bodies for five financial years from 1 April 2023.	
14	URGENT ITEMS	
	To consider urgent items of business, if any.	
15	LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CABINET QUESTION TIME, INCLUDING THE COMPOSITE REPORT OF THE CABINET (1 HOUR MAXIMUM)	
	Council is asked to receive the Executive Reports from the Leader and Cabinet and to deal with any questions raised by Members to the appropriate Cabinet Members on the contents of the reports.	
	To receive announcements from the Leader and, in accordance with Paragraphs 10.2 and 10.3 of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to deal with any questions to the Leader and/or Portfolio Holders on any topic which is within the jurisdiction or influence of the Council <u>and</u> is relevant to their Portfolio. Any Member who poses a question will be entitled to ask one supplementary question on the same topic.	
	<i>Members are encouraged to give 24 hours' written notice of questions to the Monitoring Officer of questions to be raised under the Agenda Item. If no notice is received, then the Portfolio Holder can reserve the right to give a written answer. Where written notice of questions has been given, these will be taken first. Should a Member wish to ask more than one question, questions should be listed in order of priority. If more than one Member sends in a question, these will be taken in alphabetical order of Members' names, alternated from meeting to meeting. Each question and each response is restricted to three minutes.</i>	

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16 MINUTES OF MEETINGS

To receive Chairmen’s comments (if any notified) in respect of the minutes of the Committee meetings held between 23 August and 19 November 2021.

17 QUESTIONS TO CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OR CHAIRMAN OF ANY COMMITTEE OR SUB-COMMITTEE

To deal with any questions under Rule 10.6 of the Council’s Rules of Procedure, of which due notice has been given and/or the Chairman allows as a matter of urgent business and which are in relation to any matter over which the Council has powers or duties or which affect the area.

18 URGENT DECISIONS

In accordance with Paragraph 17.3 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules, to receive details of any urgent Executive Decisions, if any, taken since the last meeting of Council on 10 November 2021.

PART II

Private Section (exempt reasons under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, specified by way of paragraph number)

There are no items in this Part of the Agenda.