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SUMMONS TO ATTEND A MEETING OF THE
NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Time/Date 6.30 pm on TUESDAY, 13 MAY 2025

Location Forest Room, Stenson House, London Road, Coalville, LE67 3FN

Officer to contact Democratic Services (01530 454512)

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Chief Executive

AGENDA

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PRAYERS	
1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
Under the Code of Conduct members are reminded that in declaring interests you should make clear the nature of that interest and whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest, registerable interest or other interest	
3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR	
To appoint the Chair of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.	
4. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR	
To appoint the Deputy Chair of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.	
5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	
6. APPOINTMENT OF LEADER	
To appoint the Leader of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.	

7. LEADER'S AND PORTFOLIO HOLDERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members are reminded that under paragraph 11.1 of part 3 of the Constitution, questions can be asked of the Leader and Cabinet Members without notice about any matter contained in any address. Questions shall be limited to five minutes in total for each announcement.

8. QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

To receive questions from members of the public under procedure rule no.10. The procedure rule provides that members of the public may ask members of the Cabinet any question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the District, provided that three clear days' notice in writing has been given to the Head of Legal and Support Services.

9. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

To receive members' questions under procedure rule no.11. The procedure rule provides that any member may ask the Chairman of a board or group any question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the District, provided that three clear days' notice in writing has been given to the Head of Legal and Support Services.

10. MOTIONS

To consider the following motion received from Councillor M Ball:

The Labour Government has committed to build 300,000 homes each year and stipulated that every planning authority must have an up-to-date Local Plan whilst simultaneously dictating that NWLDC's housing target should increase by 70%. This Council stands ready to do its bit to comply, and to continue its excellent housebuilding record, but the Government's refusal to give up the land safeguarded for the now defunct eastern leg of HS2 has become a major risk to our emerging Local Plan. Some 700 homes with planning permission in Measham and Kegworth remain in limbo, forcing this Council to take the unwanted step of allocating a reserve site for yet more housebuilding in Ashby. It has also resulted in the longed for restoration of the Ashby Canal through Measham remaining stalled.

The success of our emerging Local Plan rests heavily on the establishment of a new large settlement at Isley Woodhouse, which can only proceed with major upgrades to the highway network in the north of the district, but these potential upgrades require the use of land currently safeguarded by HS2. This Council urgently needs a straight answer to a straight question – "why is the eastern leg land still being safeguarded when the western leg land has been released and when, if ever, will it be released?"

We, therefore, request that the Chief Executive writes to the Secretary of State on behalf of full Council to request that the land be released, and also writes to the MPs for North West Leicestershire and Bosworth requesting that they make representations to Government highlighting the blight HS2 continues to cause this district. '

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11. PETITIONS		
	To consider the following petition submitted by Ms G Baker:	
	<u>Action petitioned for</u> We, the undersigned, are concerned residents who urge NWLDC to act now to build only our fair share of housing and commercial sites and ensure that proposals to build are designed to minimise the impact on the character of the villages and the facilities nearby. We would also urge that the Council take seriously their responsibilities to reduce building impact on climate change and build affordable housing close to areas of employment and current networks as a priority.	
	There are 225 valid signatures on the petition.	
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