

Governance Services
City Hall
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10 September 2025

# Sir or Madam

I hereby summon you to a meeting of the LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL to be held at the Town Hall, on THURSDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2025 at FIVE O'CLOCK in the afternoon, for the business hereunder mentioned.

**Monitoring Officer** 

Kamal Adaha

# AGENDA

#### **AUDIO STREAM OF MEETING**

A live audio stream of the meeting can be heard on the following link: https://www.youtube.com/@leicestercitycouncildemocr5339

- 1. LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 July 2025 are available to view at:

Agenda for Council on Thursday, 3 July 2025, 6:00 pm

The minutes of the meeting held on 1 September 2025 are available to view at:

Agenda for Council on Monday, 1 September 2025, 5:00 pm

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## 4. STATEMENTS BY THE CITY MAYOR/EXECUTIVE

Item 4 Pages 1-4

 Department of Health and Social Care response to letter sent by the City Mayor and Assistant City Mayor Councillor Dempster with regards to the GP to patient ratio in Leicester.

## 5. PETITIONS

- Presented by Members of the Public None
- Presented by Councillors
  - Cllr Sood, Neighbourhood conditions in London Road, Victoria Avenue and Victoria Alley area
  - 2. Councillor Batool and Malik, One-way Traffic Flow on St Saviours Road, Kitchener Road and Dorothy Road Roundabout.
  - Petitions to be debated None

## 6. QUESTIONS

- From Members of the Public
- From Councillors

# 7. MATTERS RESERVED TO COUNCIL

a)	COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER POLICY	Item 7a
	UPDATE	<b>Pages 5-68</b>

## 8. REPORTS OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

a)	SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2024-25	ltem 8a
		Pages 69-94

# 9. REPORTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

a)	FURTHER REPORT FROM THE LOCAL	Item 9a
-	GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL CARE	Pages 95-106
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b)	PETITIONS SCHEME AMENDMENT	Item 9b
		Pages 107-116

c)	CITY OF LEICESTER AWARD	Item 9c
		Pages 117-121

## 10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Motion:

Proposed by Councillor Rae Bhatia, seconded by Councillor Kitterick:

"This Council notes with deep concern the continued and serious failures in core services across Leicester, which have been subject to formal criticism from multiple independent regulators and courts:

- The Care Quality Commission has rated Adult Social Care as "Requires Improvement" where carers stated lack of support and choices during their assessments, with difficulties in getting information, long median wait times for assessments including Care Act assessments, Occupational Therapy assessments and carers' assessments.
- The Employment Tribunal found the Council guilty of racial discrimination against a senior social services employee. The Council pursued the case through two appeal defeats, wasting public funds and refusing to accept accountability.cc
- The Housing Regulator delivered one of the most severe reports, revealing that no full condition surveys have taken place since 2009, over 70 percent of homes have had no EICR checks.

- Inspectors rated the Children and Young People's Justice Service (CYPJS) also as requires improvement the second lowest mark possible.
- Ofsted rated Children's Services as requiring improvement to be good in all areas, showing a marked decline in performance and raising questions over safeguarding.

These are not isolated incidents. They form a pattern of failure in which basic standards have not been met, public money has been wasted, and residents have been denied both legitimate input and justice.

The current mayoral system has enabled these failures by concentrating power in one office, removing effective scrutiny, and cutting communities out of the decision-making process. It has not delivered better outcomes. It has removed the ability of ward councillors, and residents themselves, to hold leadership to account. It is an experiment that has now failed this city.

This Council believes that the governance model must be one that serves residents, not work for those in power.

This Council therefore resolves to support a change in governance structure. The Council should move to end the mayoral system and return to a more accountable and locally responsive cabinet-and-leader model. This change is essential to restore public trust, improve service delivery, and give communities a real say in how Leicester is run.

A timeline for this change must be agreed and approved within next three months."

## 11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

# Information for members of the public

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