

AGENDA

MEETING VENUE:

**Anglia Room, The
Conference Suite,
Elizabeth House, Dereham**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Members of the Council are hereby summoned to a Meeting of the **District Council** which will be held at **10.00 am** on **Thursday, 31st March, 2016** in the **Anglia Room, The Conference Suite, Elizabeth House, Dereham**

Yours faithfully



Anna Graves
Chief Executive

The Senior Democratic Services Officer to call the roll of Members

Members of the Council requiring further information, or with specific questions, are asked to raise these with the appropriate officer at least two working days before the meeting. If the information requested is available, this will be provided, and reported to Council.

1. **MINUTES**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 25 February 2016.

2. **APOLOGIES**

To receive apologies for absence.

3. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

4. **RESIGNATION & ELECTION OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

5. **LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive a verbal update from the Leader of the Council.

6. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Members are reminded that under the Code of Conduct they are not to participate in the whole of an agenda item to which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. In the interests of transparency, Members may also wish to declare any other interests that they have, in relation to an agenda item that supports the Nolan principles detailed within the Code of Conduct.

7. **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 6**

8. **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 7**

9. **MOTION RECEIVED UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 8**

To consider the following Motion to be moved by Cllr John Newton - Membership of the European Union

1) That this Council notes:

- a) The importance of the forthcoming referendum on the United Kingdom's membership of the European Union to every resident, business and organisation in Breckland;
- b) That this Council welcomes the in out referendum on our nation's membership of the EU allowing us all an opportunity to vote on this important issue;
- c) That in the ensuing negotiations the PM identified some clear objectives covering matters such as immigration, welfare and sovereignty which could form part of a revised relationship if we were to remain in;
- d) That unfortunately, due to continental intransigence the current "deal" offers little in terms of delivering a sustainable and fair welfare and immigration policy for the UK or the ability to repatriate powers back to this country;
- e) That we also need to reduce unnecessary interference and

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bureaucracy from the EU in order to successfully grow the Breckland economy releasing smaller companies from the over burden of red tape;	
f) Therefore residents in the district deserve a named vote by Members of this Council.	
2) That this Council therefore believes the Prime Ministers deal does not offer a good opportunity for Breckland's residents and businesses and that the United Kingdom would be better placed to grow and develop by leaving the European Union.	
10. <u>CABINET MINUTES</u>	14 - 17
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12. <u>PLANNING COMMITTEE</u>	
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Report of the Executive Director of Strategy & Governance.	
16. <u>NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE AND OTHER SEATS</u>	
To receive nominations for any changes to Committee and other seats from political groups.	
17. <u>AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION</u>	
18. <u>ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT -</u>	
NOTE: No other business is permitted unless by reason of special circumstances, which shall be specified in the minutes, the Chairman is of the opinion that the items(s) should be considered as a matter of urgency.	

For Information

CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE MEMBERS' SURGERY

At the end of the Council meeting, Chairmen of Committees and Executive Members will be available to members who wish to put forward specific questions, for example on ward issues.