



BARROW BOROUGH COUNCIL
TOWN HALL
DUKE STREET
BARROW-IN-FURNESS

Monday 11th October, 2021

To: The Members of Barrow Borough Council

Madam Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of BARROW BOROUGH COUNCIL to be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER at the TOWN HALL, BARROW on TUESDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 2021 COMMENCING AT 5.30 PM for the transaction of the business specified below.

Chief Executive

Business

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. URGENT ITEMS

To consider any items of business which the Chair decides should be considered as matters of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972. (Urgent business may only be taken by reason of special circumstances (which will be recorded in the minutes), the Chair of the meeting is of the opinion that the item should be considered as a matter of urgency).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

To receive declarations by Members and/or co-optees 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.

To expedite the business of the meeting, Members are requested to give the Chief Executive adequate notice of any Amendment which they propose to raise.

4. MINUTES

To confirm the Minutes of the Council's proceedings held on 27th July, 2021.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any announcements from the Chair, Leader or Head of Paid Service.

6. 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 5pm two working days before the meeting. Information on how to make the application can be obtained by viewing the Council's website www.barrowbc.gov.uk or by contacting the Democratic Services Team at (jwhuck@barrowbc.gov.uk) or by telephone on (07825206525).

(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.

7. APPROVAL OF MEMBER ABSENCE

To consider a request for absence from Council and Committee meetings to be authorised by the Council in accordance with section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

8. LEAD MEMBER APPOINTMENT

To appoint a Lead Member for Culture, Arts and Leisure.

9. OFFICER DELEGATION SCHEME

To update the Officer Delegation Scheme within the Council Constitution.

10. MEMBER DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY REVIEW

To consider and approve the Revised Member Development Strategy.

11. COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW OF PARISHES IN THE BARROW BOROUGH COUNCIL AREA

To consider whether the Council wishes to explore the undertaking of a Community Governance Review (CGR) and to set up a working group to consider the practicalities and potential timescales and terms of reference for any such review for report back to Council.

12. (A) TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES FROM THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES AS CONTAINED IN MINUTE VOLUME 2 AND CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS (WHERE NOT ALREADY DETERMINED ON THE AGENDA):

- (1) Planning (10th August, 14th September and 5th October, 2021)
- (2) Licensing Regulatory/Licensing (7th October, 2021)
- (3) Licensing Sub-Committee (12th August and 9th September, 2021)
- (3) Executive* (15th September and 13th October, 2021)
- (4) Audit and Governance (29th July, 18th August and 30th September, 2021)
- (5) Overview and Scrutiny (21st September, 2021)

*Recommendations from the Executive Committee are dealt with under Agenda Item Nos. 9 and 10.

(B) QUESTIONS TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Council has agreed that time be set aside for questions to the Leader of the Council. Standing Order 10.2 and 10.4 set out the procedure for questions to the Leader and the notice period required. The Leader will also take and questions without notice relevant to the reports and minutes detailed on the agenda.

13. NOTICE OF MOTION UNDER RULE 11

To consider the following motion moved by Councillor Ben Shirley and seconded by Councillor Sam Ronson:-

That Barrow Borough Council:-

- (i) Acknowledges the efforts that this Council has made to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote renewable energy;
- (ii) Further recognises:
 - That very large financial setup and running costs involved in selling locally generated renewable electricity to local customers result in it being impossible for local renewable electricity generators to do so;
 - That making these financial costs proportionate to the scale of renewable electricity supplier's operation would create significant opportunities for local companies, community groups and councils to be providers of locally generated renewable electricity directly to local people, businesses and organisations, if they wished; and
 - That revenues received by such local companies, community groups and councils that chose to become local renewable electricity providers could be used to help improve the local economy, local services and facilities and to reduce local greenhouse gas emissions;
- (iii) Notes that the House of Commons Environmental Audit Committee, as a result of its 2021 Technological Innovations and Climate Change Inquiry, recommended that a Right to Local Supply for local energy suppliers be established to address this;

- (iv) Accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, currently supported by a cross-party group of 263 MPs and which, if made law, would establish a Right to Local Supply which would promote local renewable electricity supply by making the setup and running costs of selling renewable electricity to local customers proportionate to the size of the supply company; and
- (v) Further resolves to:
- Inform the local media of this decision;
 - Write to local Simon Fell MP, notifying him of this resolution and to commit to work together with him in pursuit of a Local Electricity Bill; and
 - Write to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for People (at Camden Collective, 5-7 Buck Street, London NW1 8NJ or info@powerforpeople.org.uk) expressing its support.