

To all Members

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Dear Councillor

You are summoned to a meeting of Kettering Borough Council to be held in the Lakeside Room, Kettering Conference Centre, Thurston Drive, Kettering, NN15 6PB on Wednesday, 20th April 2016 at 7.00 pm.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Cook". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

D Cook
Chief Executive

AGENDA

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 1st March 2016 to be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor
3. Declarations of Interest:-
 - Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
 - Personal Interests
4. To receive any announcements from the Mayor and/or the Leader of the Council.

5. Report of the Chief Executive
6. The Mayor to ask members of the public present if they want to speak on any item on the agenda.
7. Nomination of Deputy Mayor 2016/17

Reports:

8. Report of the Flexible Resources Working Group (*attached*)
9. To consider motions received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16 as follows:-
 - (i) To be proposed by Councillor Russell Roberts and seconded by Councillor Jonathan West

“This Council recognises and supports South Northamptonshire District Council’s bold ambition to form part of a greater Oxfordshire cluster of unitary authorities.

This Council recognises that people and places are more important than institutions and accordingly asks all Councils in Northamptonshire to recognise that the existing Council boundaries are not appropriate for future unitaries.

This Council supports a proposal that it should explore the creation of a unitary local government structure for the rest of Northamptonshire, and that work to evaluate the most effective options should be commissioned, ideally in conjunction with all other Councils in the county, to examine what would be most effective in terms of:-

1. *Community Geographies*
2. *Economic Geographies*
3. *Comprehensiveness of proposals and their coherence with other neighbouring plans*
4. *The opportunities for deep service integration*
5. *Value for money – in particular new approaches to service delivery which provide less hand-offs and institutional boundaries*
6. *Partner and stakeholder support/commitment to options.*
7. *The track record of joint working*
8. *The cultural alignment between constituent authorities*
9. *The fiscal and performance profile of constituent authorities*
10. *Key service challenges*
11. *Ease of migration to any new arrangements*

This Council currently believes a North Northamptonshire wide unitary will likely best meet these criteria, but will work with other councils on options which serve the rest of Northamptonshire and which ensure transparent, accessible, integrated and effective service delivery and local leadership.”

- (ii) To be Proposed by Councillor Jonathan West and Seconded by Councillor Maggie Don

“That this Council sets up a Task and Finish Group which will be tasked to gather evidence from schools and young people in order to make recommendations on how this council can better facilitate the engagement of younger people in our Borough with local democratic decision making.”

- (iii) To be Proposed by Councillor Clark Mitchell and seconded by Councillor Mick Scrimshaw

“That we as a council agree that the practice of providing free parking passes to the elected members of Kettering Borough Council be suspended with immediate effect.”

10. To receive questions from members.
11. Any matters of urgency that the Mayor decides should be considered.

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