



New Forest
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council Meeting Agenda

15 December 2025



SUMMONS

To All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the District Council to be held in Council Chamber - Appletree Court, Beaulieu Road, Lyndhurst, SO43 7PA on Monday, 15 December 2025 at 6.30 pm



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Chief Executive

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Anyone wishing to attend the meeting should contact the name and number shown below.

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AGENDA

Apologies

1. MINUTES (Pages 7 - 40)

To confirm the minutes of the following meetings as correct records:

- 25 September 2025 (Special meeting)
- 13 October 2025
- 3 November 2025 (Special meeting)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

To note any declarations of interests made by members in connection with an agenda item. The nature of the interests must also be specified.

Members are asked to discuss any possible interests with Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. TAXI LICENSING POLICY – AMENDMENTS TO APPENDIX B (Pages 41 - 102)

6. REPORT OF CABINET - 5 NOVEMBER 2025 (Pages 103 - 124)

7. REPORT OF CABINET - 3 DECEMBER 2025 (Pages 125 - 294)

8. QUESTIONS (To Follow)

To ask questions under Standing Order 22. Questions received will be published ahead of the meeting. (Members are reminded that questions must be submitted to Democratic Services by no later than 12.00 noon, Wednesday, 10 December 2025).

9. NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Standing Order 21, Cllr M Wade will move the following motion:-

This Council Notes Associated British Ports have been holding public consultation meetings on their plans for their Strategic Land Reserve on Dibden Bay.

Dibden Bay has not been identified in this Council's Current statutory planning document, the District Local Plan 2016 -2036, as an allocated site for port expansion. However, a decision on whether port operations can be expanded looks to be taken out of our hands on the basis that it is nationally significant.

This Council believes that the likely local impacts to the environmental sites on Dibden Bay along with being so close to our National Park outweigh the potential economic benefits. Notwithstanding this, the decision should be taken by locally elected Councillors.

Therefore Council resolves to write to the Prime Minister accordingly, urging him to give local people, through their local councillors, the final say and in doing so reminding him of his commitment to localism.

Cllr M Clark will second the motion.

Under the provisions of Standing Order 42, the above motion, after being proposed and seconded (without speeches), should stand referred to the body within whose terms of reference the subject matter of the motions comes, or the Cabinet or such Committees or Panels that the Council may determined.

The Chairman may allow the motion to be dealt with at this meeting if they consider it urgent, convenient or conducive to the despatch of business.

10. ALLOCATION OF SEATS AND APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND PANELS (Pages 295 - 306)

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RECOMMENDED:

That the Council Meeting scheduled for 6.30 pm, Monday 23 February 2026, be moved to 6.30 pm, Thursday 26 February 2026.

12. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT