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**TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL - 3 FEBRUARY 2020**

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council on  
**Monday, 3rd February, 2020 at 6.30 pm**  
in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, West Street, Boston, PE21 8QR.

**PHIL DRURY**  
**Chief Executive**

**AGENDA**

**PART I - PRELIMINARIES**

A. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence.

B. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations by Members of any interests in respect of items on the agenda.

**PART II - AGENDA ITEMS**

1 APPOINTMENT OF LEADER (Pages 1 - 2)

To Appoint a Leader of the Council

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REPORT TO:	COUNCIL
DATE:	3 FEBRUARY 2020
SUBJECT:	APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
REPORT AUTHOR:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE
EXEMPT REPORT?	NO

### **SUMMARY**

To consider the appointment of a Leader of the Council for the remainder of the Council term 2019/20 to 2023/24.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That the Council appoints a Leader of the Council for the remainder of the Council Term 2019/20 to 2023/24.
2. That the Chief Executive be granted delegated authority to make any necessary consequential Constitutional changes as a result of the appointment of a new Leader of the Council.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

To fill the vacancy in the position of Leader of the Council in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and Cabinet Procedure Rules as contained within the Constitution.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

None.

## **REPORT**

### **1 Background**

- 1.1 The Local Government Act 2000 and the Council's Constitution require the Council to appoint a Leader of the Council at the start of each Council term. The appointment is normally for the whole of the Council term, but the Constitution sets out the circumstances in which the appointment may end.
- 1.2 At the meeting of the Council held on 15 July 2019, Council resolved that Councillor Aaron Spencer be appointed as Leader of the Council for the Council term from 2019/20 to 2023/24.
- 1.3 In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, Councillor Spencer gave notice that he was stepping down as Leader of the Council with effect from 20 January 2020. This creates a vacancy for the position of Leader of the Council which the Council is being asked to fill at this meeting.
- 1.4 The Leader may amend the size and composition of the Cabinet. Should any changes be made by the new Leader, Members will be informed accordingly.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appointment of a Leader of the Council is a requirement of the Local Government Act 2000.

#### **ANY OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

None.

#### **CONSULTATION**

None.

#### **APPENDICES**

None.

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

No background papers as defined in Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the production of this report.

#### **CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT**

A report on this item has not previously been considered by a Council body.