



Boston Borough Council

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Wednesday 31 December 2025

Notice of meeting of the Full Council

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Full Council
on **Monday 12th January 2026 at 6.30 pm**
in the Council Chamber - Municipal Buildings, West Street, Boston, PE21 8QR

**Rob Barlow
Chief Executive**

Members of the public are welcome to attend the committee meeting as observers except during the consideration of exempt or confidential items.

This meeting may be subject to being recorded.

Agenda

Part I - Preliminaries

A. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence.

B. Declarations of Interest

C. Minutes

(Pages 1 - 14)

D. Communications

E. Deputations and Petitions

F. Questions from Elected Members

G. Questions from Members of the Public

Part II - Agenda Items

1 Draft Audit & Governance Committee Minutes (Pages 15 - 26)

To receive the draft Minutes from the meeting held on 17th November 2025.

2 Annual Scrutiny Report 2024/2025 (Pages 27 - 38)

(A report by John Medler, Assistant Director – Governance & Monitoring Officer)

3 Democratic Arrangements – Appointment to Outside Body 2025/26 (Pages 39 - 44)

(A report by John Medler, Assistant Director – Governance & Monitoring Officer)

4 Community Governance Review - Stage 1 Consultation Outcomes and Draft Recommendations (Pages 45 - 88)

(A report by John Medler, Assistant Director – Governance & Monitoring Officer)

5 Proposed Amendments to the Council's Contract Procedure Rules (Pages 89 - 150)

(A report by John Medler, Assistant Director – Governance & Monitoring Officer)

6 2025/26 Mid Term Treasury Report (Pages 151 - 172)

(A report by Russell Stone, Director of Finance (S151 Officer))

7 Quarter 2 2025/26 Capital Forecast Outturn (Pages 173 - 178)

(A report by Russell Stone, Director of Finance (S151 Officer))

8 Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27 (Pages 179 - 194)

(A report by Russell Stone, Director of Finance (S151 Officer))

Part III - Motions on Notice

To consider the following motions in accordance with procedure rule 14:

1 Amendment to Council Procedure- Limitation of questions to one per member at full council

COUNCIL NOTES:

That the current Council Procedure Rules permit Members to submit more than one question to Full Council within a single meeting cycle.

That recent meetings have demonstrated that multiple questions from the same member can extend proceedings, reduce time available for wider debate, and limit opportunities for other members to participate.

That ensuring fair and balanced participation from all elected Members is essential to the effective functioning, transparency and efficiency of Full Council Meetings.

Therefore, Council resolves

- 1. To amend Council Procedure Rule 11.2(Questions on Notice at Full Council) to state that a Member of the Council may submit one question only to Full Council per meeting.***
- 2. That this amendment shall take effect at the conclusion of the Full Council Meeting on 12th January 2026.***
- 3. That the Monitoring Officer be authorized to update the Constitution and any associated guidance documents accordingly to give effect to the amendment.***

Proposer: Councillor Andy Izard

Seconder: Councillor James Cantwell

Questions from Members of the Council and the public must be received by 5 p.m. two clear working days prior to the day of the meeting – the deadline for this meeting is 5 p.m. on Wednesday 7th January 2026.

Notes:

Please contact Democratic Services (demservices@boston.gov.uk) if you have any queries about the agenda and documents for this meeting.

Council Members who are not able to attend the meeting should notify Democratic Services as soon as possible.

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