

Cabinet



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A **Special meeting** of the **Cabinet** of North Norfolk District Council will be held in the Council Chamber - Council Offices on **Monday, 5 January 2026 at 10.00 am.**

At the discretion of the Chairman, a short break will be taken after the meeting has been running for approximately one and a half hours

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To: Cllr L Shires, Cllr T Adams, Cllr A Brown, Cllr H Blathwayt, Cllr C Ringer, Cllr J Toye, Cllr A Varley, Cllr L Withington and Cllr J Boyle

All other Members of the Council for information.
Members of the Management Team, appropriate Officers, Press and Public



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A G E N D A

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

To receive questions and statements from the public, if any.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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Members are asked at this stage to declare any interests that they may have in any of the following items on the agenda. The Code of Conduct for Members requires that declarations include the nature of the interest and whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest (see attached guidance and flowchart)

4. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

To determine any other items of business which the Chairman decides should be considered as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972

5. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

To receive oral questions from Members, if any

6. MHCLG STATUTORY CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION IN NORFOLK - A RESPONSE BY NORTH NORFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Executive Summary	<p>Following the submission of final proposals for local government reorganisation (LGR) in Norfolk at the end of September 2025; the Government, through the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), is now undertaking a process of statutory consultation on the proposals, inviting key local stakeholders to comment on the three submissions made to the Government for the introduction of unitary councils in Norfolk moving forward.</p> <p>This report is a covering report, with a detailed appendix as a draft response to the Government consultation; which Cabinet is asked to agree as the Council's formal submission to the statutory consultation process.</p>
Options considered	<p>Option:1: Cabinet is asked to agree / propose amendments to the draft response (as included in this agenda) and approve its submission as the District Council's response to the statutory consultation process on Local Government</p>

	Reorganisation in Norfolk. Option 2: The Council agrees not to submit a response to the statutory consultation (not recommended).
Consultation(s)	Internal consultation has included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leader • Deputy Chief Executive • Section151 Officer • Monitoring Officer • Communications Manager
Recommendations	That Cabinet: 1. Comments on the draft response to the statutory consultation as attached as an Appendix to this report, proposes any amendments and approves its submission to Government as the Council's corporate response to the statutory consultation process.
Reasons for recommendations	To respond to the statutory consultation process being carried out by the Government in respect of proposals for local government reorganisation in Norfolk.
Background papers	The Government's statutory consultation process which can be found at - Proposals for local government reorganisation in Norfolk and Suffolk - GOV.UK

Wards affected	All
Cabinet member(s)	Cllr. Tim Adams (Leader)
Contact Officer	Steve Blatch – Chief Executive

7. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To pass the following resolution:

"That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs _ of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to the Act."

8. PRIVATE BUSINESS