DOWNHAM MARKET TOWN COUNCIL

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Town Clerk: Claire Dornan

I hereby give notice of and summon members to attend a meeting of Full Council on Tuesday 10 November 2026 at 7pm at Downham Market Town Hall, Bridge Street, Downham Market PE38 9DW.

The meeting will be recorded and uploaded to YouTube:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCy8Z5l4jHqydpOkOivqqb8g/featured

Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting.

Signed - Claire Dornan
Role - Town Clerk
Date of Issue – 05 November 2026

Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence
To receive and note apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of Interest
To receive declarations of interest and consider any requests for dispensations. Members are reminded to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, in accordance with the Town Council's Code of Conduct.
3. Public Forum
3.1 County Councillor and Borough Councillors
3.2 Members of the Public
(Three minutes per person, maximum 15-minute session.)
4. Mayor's Report
To receive the Mayor's Report including Remembrance Parade & Pause & Remember
5. Minutes
To approve the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 13 October 2026.
6. Committee Minutes
a) To note the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 29 September 2026 & 10 October 2026.
b) To note the minutes of the Property Committee held on 23 September 2026 & 22 October 2026.
c) To note the minutes of the Events Committee held on 07 October 2026.
7. Member Proposal
'To disband the HR Committee with immediate effect and defer all HR matters to Full Council, and to consider engaging a contracted HR retained service'.
Motion proposed by Cllr Dickson, seconded by Cllr Pekin.
8. Member Proposal
'That the Council opposes the Longmarsh Green Energy development in its current form, pending the provision and independent assessment of satisfactory evidence addressing the concerns set out in this resolution.

- That the Council submits a formal response to the developer's public consultation, requesting that these concerns be fully addressed before any application for development consent is submitted.
- That the Council writes to Terry Jermy MP, Member of Parliament for South West Norfolk, requesting that he raise these concerns with the relevant Government departments and decision-makers, seek assurances regarding the protection of local communities and infrastructure, and represent the interests of affected residents throughout the planning process.
- That the Council requests that the developer provide transparent, independently verifiable evidence concerning ground conditions, electricity infrastructure and reliability, water resources, flood risk, agricultural land, environmental impacts and the cumulative effects of other regional developments.
- That the Council requests that the relevant planning authorities and statutory consultees carefully scrutinise the proposal and ensure that its full environmental, social, economic and infrastructure implications are properly assessed.
- That the Council makes clear that claims of investment, job creation and renewable energy generation must not be treated as sufficient justification for the development without demonstrable evidence that its impacts are acceptable and that the interests of local communities are protected.
- That the Council continues to monitor the proposals and participates in subsequent consultation and examination stages as appropriate, ensuring that the interests of the Council's residents remain central to its response.'

Motion proposed by Cllr Wiles, seconded by Cllr Sims.

9. Member Proposal

'That Downham Market Town Council supports the retention of a fully functional District General Hospital at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn, including maternity and general surgery services, and writes formally to the Chair and Chief Executive of Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Terry Jermy MP to express the Council's position on behalf of Downham Market residents.'

Motion proposed by Cllr Wiles, seconded by Cllr Sims.

10. Property Committee

a) 'That it be recommended to Full Council that Option 2, the electrically operated 5-line pile wind hoist unit from MRL Systems Limited, at a cost of £11,905.00, be approved; and that the remaining balance of the Tables and Chairs Earmarked Reserve be transferred to the Town Hall Maintenance Budget to contribute towards the cost of the works.'

b) 'That is be recommended to Full Council that they approve the quotation from Supreme Surfacing Limited for £6,950 plus VAT for the footpath along the fences at Rouses End, based on the Council's satisfaction with the contractor's recent work and confidence in the quality of its workmanship.'

11. Car Park Orders Working Party

Members to note that the Car Park Consultation is now live.

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11. Proposed Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) – Lynn Road, Downham Market
2embers to consider the Preliminary consultation received regarding a proposal to extend the existing 30mph speed limit along the C884 Lynn Road, reducing the current 50mph limit and agree any initial comments or feedback to be submitted.

13. Outside Body Reports
To receive verbal reports from Council representatives on the following outside bodies:
a) Fen Line Users Association (FLUA)
b) Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel (SNAP)
c) Downham Market & Downham West Joint Burial Board
d) 100 Acre Charity
e) Youth Advisory Board – Representation no longer required.

13. Councillors' Questions and Future Agenda Items
To receive Councillors' questions and suggestions for future agenda items.

14. Date of Next Meeting
To note that the next meeting of the Full Council will be held on 12 January 2027.

End.