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**North  
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Council**

**Meeting:** Council  
**Date:** Thursday 28th July, 2022  
**Time:** 2.00 pm  
**Venue:** Council Chamber, The Cube, George St, Corby NN17 9SB

## **Committee Membership:**

Councillor Larry Henson (Chair), Councillor Barbara Jenney (Vice-Chair), Councillor Jean Addison, Councillor Tim Allebone, Councillor Valerie Anslow, Councillor Ross Armour, Councillor Charlie Best, Councillor Paul Bell, Councillor Matt Binley, Councillor Jennie Bone, Councillor David Brackenbury, Councillor Wendy Brackenbury, Councillor Cedwien Brown, Councillor Scott Brown, Councillor Leanne Buckingham, Councillor Lyn Buckingham, Councillor Lloyd Bunday, Councillor Jon-Paul Carr, Councillor Robin Carter, Councillor William Colquhoun, Councillor John Currall, Councillor Alison Dalziel, Councillor Mark Dearing, Councillor Dez Dell, Councillor Scott Edwards, Councillor Jonathan Ekins, Councillor Emily Fedorowycz, Councillor Martin Griffiths, Councillor Jim Hakewill, Councillor Clive Hallam, Councillor Ken Harrington, Councillor Helen Harrison, Councillor Kirk Harrison, Councillor Helen Howell, Councillor David Howes, Councillor Philip Irwin, Councillor Bert Jackson, Councillor Ian Jelley, Councillor David Jenney, Councillor Matt Keane, Councillor King Lawal, Councillor Graham Lawman, Councillor Lora Lawman, Councillor Anne Lee, Councillor Richard Levell, Councillor Paul Marks, Councillor Dorothy Maxwell, Councillor Peter McEwan, Councillor John McGhee, Councillor Zoe McGhee, Councillor Andy Mercer, Councillor Gill Mercer, Councillor Macaulay Nichol, Councillor Steven North, Councillor Jan O'Hara, Councillor Dr Anup Pandey, Councillor Tom Partridge-Underwood, Councillor Mark Pengelly, Councillor Harriet Pentland, Councillor Roger Powell, Councillor Elliot Keith Prentice, Councillor Simon Rielly, Councillor Russell Roberts, Councillor Mark Rowley, Councillor Geoff Shacklock, Councillor David Sims, Councillor Jason Smithers, Councillor Chris Smith-Haynes, Councillor Joseph John Smyth, Councillor Mike Tebbutt, Councillor Kevin Thurland, Councillor Sarah Tubbs, Councillor Michael Tye, Councillor Malcolm Ward, Councillor Malcolm Waters, Councillor Kevin Watt, Councillor Andrew Weatherill and Councillor Lee Wilkes

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## Public Participation

The Council has approved procedures for you to present petitions or request to address meetings of the Council

ITEM	NARRATIVE	DEADLINE												
Members of the Public Questions	Questions may be submitted by members of the Public to meetings of the committee. The question must be in writing and submitted 2 clear working days prior to the meeting. There are no supplementary questions permitted, and no debate on questions or answers. A period of 30 minutes (Chair's Discretion) is allocated for Public Questions.	5:00 pm Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021												
Members of the Public Agenda Statements	Members of the Public may make statements at meetings in relation to reports on the agenda. A request to address the committee must be received 2 clear working days prior to the meeting. The member of the Public has a maximum of 3 minutes to address the committee. A period of 30 minutes (Chair's Discretion) is allocated for Public Statements.	5:00 pm Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021												
Other Members Questions	Written questions of up to 50 words maximum permitted. To be received at least 2 clear working days prior to the meeting. Chair's discretion on supplementary question. A period of 30 minutes (Chair's Discretion) is allocated for Other Shadow Members Questions.	5:00 pm Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021												
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Members of the Public Petitions	<p>Anyone who lives, works or studies in North Northamptonshire may submit a petition to the Shadow Authority. Depending on the size of your petition it will be responded to as follows:-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Signatory Threshold</th> <th>Description</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Petition which triggers a debate</td> <td>1,500 +</td> <td>Any petition with 1,500 or more signatures will trigger a debate at a Full Authority meeting</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petition which calls an officer to account</td> <td>750 – 1,499</td> <td>Any petition with 750 – 1,499 signatures will summon a senior officer of the Authority to give evidence at a public Authority meeting</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Standard Petition</td> <td>5 – 749</td> <td>Any petition with 5 – 749 signatures will be referred to a senior officer of the Authority to provide a response</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Signatory Threshold	Description	Petition which triggers a debate	1,500 +	Any petition with 1,500 or more signatures will trigger a debate at a Full Authority meeting	Petition which calls an officer to account	750 – 1,499	Any petition with 750 – 1,499 signatures will summon a senior officer of the Authority to give evidence at a public Authority meeting	Standard Petition	5 – 749	Any petition with 5 – 749 signatures will be referred to a senior officer of the Authority to provide a response	
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Members are reminded of their duty to ensure they abide by the approved Member Code of Conduct whilst undertaking their role as a Councillor. Where a matter arises at a meeting which **relates to** a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, you must declare the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless granted a dispensation.

Where a matter arises at a meeting which **relates to** other Registerable Interests, you must declare the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting but must not take part in any vote on the matter unless you have been granted a dispensation.

Where a matter arises at a meeting which **relates to** your own financial interest (and is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest) or **relates to** a financial interest of a relative, friend or close associate, you must disclose the interest and not vote on the matter unless granted a dispensation. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting.

Members are reminded that they should continue to adhere to the Council's approved rules and protocols during the conduct of meetings. These are contained in the Council's approved Constitution.

If Members have any queries as to whether a Declaration of Interest should be made please contact the Monitoring Officer at – [Adele.Wylie@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:Adele.Wylie@northnorthants.gov.uk)

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# Agenda Item 6

North Northamptonshire Council  
Full Council 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## PETITION

The Corby public have had a local Hackney trade since before the 1960's and has always tried to provide the best service possible.

Providing that much needed service of getting people to the local shops, doctors, schools, Bingo and from Pubs/Restaurants after a great night out. Always providing the door-to-door service which isn't available with other public transport services.

It has consistently been one of the cheapest taxi rates in the country and always prides itself on the service which visitors to the town often comment on as being "1st Class".

The Corby Hackney Owners Association (CHOA) have requested a small increase to cover the increase in costs. This will be the first increase since 2018. This would have seen the average fare increase by 70p (equivalent to a rise of less than 18p a year since 2018, on the average trip). A modest increase when the cost of fuel has risen by 50% in the last 4 months.

Unfortunately, North Northamptonshire Council have used this opportunity to try to merge the zones in North Northamptonshire and implement a huge increase which will have a drastic impact on those who need to use taxis the most.

- Those going to work could face up to 127% increase.
- Those going out could see an increase of 108%.
- Those using the service on a Sunday could see an increase of 94%.

This is NOT acceptable and NOT what we want.

It may seem strange that we're rejecting a big fare increase but the merger brings hidden issues which could massively effect our trade and also those who use it. No one in the trade has been consulted about this but it's getting pushed through by the Conservative led council.

What we want is North Northamptonshire Council to stick to the proposed separate zone increase for the next 12 months which would then allow for proper consultation to take place and would save OUR customers from another huge increase in costs at this time of National Cost of Living Crisis.

**Neil Rielly**  
CHOA Secretary

*For information - Full Council may -*

- 1. Note the petition; or*
- 2. Make recommendations to the Executive as a result of the petition*

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