To all Members

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Dear Councillor

You are summoned to a meeting of Kettering Borough Council to be held in the **North Pavilion, Wicksteed Park, Barton Rd, Kettering, NN15 6NJ** on Wednesday, 26th April 2017 at 7.00 pm.

Yours faithfully

David Cook

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<u>A G E N D A</u>

- 1. Apologies.
- 2. Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 1st March 2017 to be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor
- 3. Declarations of Interest:-
 - Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
 - Personal Interests
- 4. To receive any announcements from the Mayor and/or the Leader of the Council.

- 5. Report of the Chief Executive
- 6. The Mayor to ask members of the public present if they want to speak on any item on the agenda.
- 7. Mayoral Arrangements 2017/18

Reports:

- 8. Whistleblowing Policy (attached)
- 9. To consider motions received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16 as follows:-
 - (i) To be proposed by Councillor Mike Brown and seconded by Councillor Ruth Groome

"In the interests of democratic transparency, this Council will seek to amend the Council Constitution to ensure that Political Parties declare, before a vote is taken in the Council chamber, whether or not their Councillors are bound by their groups' constitution, to vote with the party-line, or whether they have a choice to vote differently."

(ii) To be proposed by Councillor Maggie Don and seconded by Councillor Ruth Groome

"This council now considers it is time to have a total review of the community toilet facilities within the borough, as a matter of urgency. This system was introduced many years ago now, and we need to consider how effective & user friendly it is."

- 10. To receive questions from members.
- 11. Any matters of urgency that the Mayor decides should be considered.

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