

**COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020 At 7.15 P.M.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to a Meeting of the Council which will be held on Wednesday, 2 September 2020 at 7.15 p.m. by virtual means via. 'Zoom' (Access Code No. 935 1265 2093) or in attendance at the Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 6QF.

Yours faithfully,

**Town Clerk.**

**AGENDA**

**1. NOTICE OF MEETING**

Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12, paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence.

**3. MEMBERS' DISPENSATION**

To consider written requests for dispensations from members who have declared interests under Disclosable or Non-Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – Section 33 of the 2011 Localism Act.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To notify of any items that appear in the agenda in which you may have an interest, including those that have previously been recorded in the Members Register of Interests.

**5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

To take questions from the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with the appropriate Standing Order.

**6. MINUTES**

... To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

**7. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

To receive the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillor Michael Stead following the By-Election held on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

## **8. VACANCY – POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

To consider appointing a Member to serve on the Policy and Resources Committee which has a vacancy following the resignation of the previous serving Member.

## **9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive any announcements by the Mayor and the Town Clerk.

## **10. COMMITTEE MINUTES**

... To confirm for approval and adoption the reports and recommendations of the undermentioned Committees:-

(a)	Environment Committee	19 August 2020
(b)	Recreation Committee	19 August 2020
(c)	Policy and Resources Committee	26 August 2020

## **11. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY – COVID 19**

... To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk.

## **12. LAND AND PROPERTY UPDATE**

... To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk.

## **13. MAST LEASE RENEWAL – DEPOT SITE**

... To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk.

## **14. CIVIC EVENTS**

... To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk.

## **15. NOTICE OF MOTION**

To consider the following Notice of Motion on Double Taxation as proposed by Councillor Michael Stead:-

“This Council applauds the close working relationship between Durham County Council and Town and Parish Councils across County Durham.

In recognising this relationship this Council also notes that not all of County Durham is Parished.

Residents in the Great Aycliffe Town Council area pay council tax to Durham County Council for services in unparished areas which they also pay to this Council. This situation is often referred to as Double Taxation.

This situation goes against the principles of natural justice and fair taxation.

This Council therefore calls on Durham County Council to bring forward a report with a view to identifying the services and their associated total costs that residents would receive from the County Council if the area were unparished. While also exploring all solutions to the imbalance tax payers of parished and unparished areas face, along with details of any financial implications.”

## 16. OUTSIDE BODIES

To receive reports from representatives on the following Outside Bodies:

- (a) **Youth Council**  
Councillors Derek G. Atkinson and Jim Atkinson + Corporate and Policy Officer.
- (b) **County Durham Association of Local Councils**  
Town Clerk + Councillors R.S. Fleming and M. Iveson (AGM)
- (c) **Aycliffe Village Community Association**  
Councillor Bill Blenkinsopp.
- (d) **Woodham Village Community Association**  
Councillors M. Stead and P. Symons.
- (e) **Great Aycliffe and Middridge Local Councils' Committee**  
Councillors B. Hall and R.S. Fleming + Town Clerk.
- (f) **Larger Local Councils' Forum**  
Councillors R.S. Fleming, M. Iveson and Town Clerk.
- (g) **Aycliffe and District Bus Preservation Society**  
Councillors I. Gray.
- (h) **Friends of Byerley Park Local Nature Reserve**  
Councillor I. Gray.
- (i) **Friends of Stockton and Darlington Railway**  
Councillor Dave Hardaker.
- (j) **GAMP – Community Safety Task Group**  
Councillor B. Hall.