

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER 2022 at 7.15 p.m.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am to inform you that a meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee will be held on Wednesday, 26th October 2022 at 7.15 p.m. in attendance at the Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe. DL5 6QF

Yours faithfully,

**Dan Austin
Town Clerk**

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Members of the public are permitted to make representations, ask questions, and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Questions will not be received by the Council which are in furtherance of a person's individual circumstances, or which are about a matter where there is a right of appeal to the courts, a tribunal or government minister. A question will not be received by the Council where the issue it concerns has been the subject of a decision of the Council in the last six months.

5. 2023/24 DRAFT ENVIRONMENT REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS

... To consider the report from the Finance Manager deferred from the Environment meeting on 19th October 2022 (previously circulated).

6. MINUTES

To receive the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on 20th July 2022. (previously circulated)

7. ACCOUNTS CONTROL SHEETS

- . . . To receive the account control sheets for the period 25th August 2022 to 22nd September 2022 and the General Bank Account for August (previously circulated) and September 2022.

8. GRANTS AND DONATION REQUESTS

- . . . To receive the attached report from the Town Clerk.

9. 2023/24 DRAFT POLICY AND RESOURCES REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Finance Manager.

10. 2023/24 DRAFT OVERALL REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Finance Manager.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

- . . . To consider the following Motion from Councillor Michael Stead:-

“In light of the very challenging MTFP and proposed council tax rise in 2023/24, this Council agrees to bring forward the 2023 planned service review for the Oak Leaf Sports Complex in time for the final setting of the 2023/24 Precept in January 2023, in order to allow officers the best chance of finding further savings at the soonest possible time”.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

- . . . To consider the following Motion from proposed by Councillor Jed Hillary and seconded by Councillor Bob Fleming:-

“That with immediate effect, the Council implements a ruling that Officers must not attend meetings, either in person or via Zoom, whilst they are absent from work due to illness”.

13. KING CHARLES III CORONATION

As agreed at the Events Sub Committee meeting held on Wednesday 5th October 2022 it is requested that Members consider purchasing twenty non-themed Union Jack flags to be flown on the lamp posts Town Centre Park for the Coronation of King Charles III. The cost of the flags is £725 plus VAT and, if agreed, it is recommended that these are funded from the Large Community Events Budget.

14. PRE - SCHOOL SUB COMMITTEE VACANCY

To note that Councillor Joanne Jones has stepped down from the Pre-School Sub Committee and to agree the appointment of Councillor John Woodward to the vacancy.

Any questions or queries on agenda items or reports should be raised with officers before meetings by telephone or email.

Please note that this does not preclude members from asking the question at the meeting if this is important to the debate or decision.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE:

Councillors Eddy Adam, Tony Armstrong, Martin Ashcroft, Lindsey Aston, Jim Atkinson, Dorothy Bowman, Arun M. Chandran, John Clark, Bob Fleming, George Gray, Ian Gray, Mrs. Sandra Haigh, Brian Haigh, Andy Hill, Jed Hillary, Wendy Hillary, Joanne Jones, Neville Jones, John Moore, Carl Robinson, Ken Robson, Michael Stead, Anne Woodward and John Woodward.

Plus one vacancy open to the Liberal Democrats