

26<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2022 At 7.15 P.M.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to a Meeting of the Council which will be held on **Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 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. 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. GUEST SPEAKER**

A presentation will be given by Heather Orton from Durham County Council Regeneration, Economy and Growth on the 'levelling up fund' bid.

**6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

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

**7. MINUTES**

... To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

## 8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## 9. COMMITTEE MINUTES

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

- (a) Recreation Committee – 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022
- (b) Environment Committee – 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022
- (c) Policy and Resources Committee – 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022

## 10. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEE VACANCIES

To agree the appointment of Councillor Sandra Kirby to the Liberal Democrat Group vacancies on both the Environment Committee and the Recreation Committee and Councillor Andrea Miller to the Liberal Democrat Group vacancy on the Policy and Resources Committee.

## 11. NOTICE OF MOTION

To consider the following Special Motion in accordance with Standing Order 11a) Proposed by Councillor Arun Chandran and seconded by Councillor Ken Robson.

*This Council recognises the failings of the Proportional Representation System introduced at the AGM in May this year (Minute 12 Full Council 18<sup>th</sup> May refers)*

*a) That Full Council Minute 12 of 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 be rescinded forthwith and that Standing Order 15 and 16 is updated to reflect this.*

*b) In accordance with Standing Order 5x) the Constitution of Committees shall be as follows:*

*b i) Environment Committee shall consist of (26 Members+ Mayor\* and Deputy Mayor\*\* as ex officio)*

*That Councillors Peter Bergg, Neil Collinson and Sandra Haigh be added to this Committee*

*b ii) Recreation Committee shall consist of (26 Members+ Mayor\* and Deputy Mayor\*\* as ex officio)*

*That Councillors Peter Bergg, Neil Collinson and Brian Haigh be added to this Committee*

*b iii) Policy and Resources Committee shall consist of (26 Members+ Mayor\* and Deputy Mayor\*\* as ex officio)*

*That Councillors Peter Bergg, Neil Collinson and Phillip Hawkins be added to this Committee"*

### Notes:

*Sub-Committee Membership will be reviewed at the relevant Committees as required.*

*There is one Liberal Democrat Vacancy unfilled on each Committee and if they do not propose to fill the vacancy at that meeting then the Committees will be reduced by 1, to 25 Members plus Mayor and Deputy Mayor as ex-officio.*

## 12. SPORTS COMPLEX TELEVISIONS

- ... To consider a report from the Sports Complex Manager regarding an item deferred from the Recreation Committee regarding the purchase of a television.

## 13. OUTSIDE BODY REPORTS

To receive reports from representatives on the following Outside Bodies:

- a) **Youth Council**  
Councillors Tony Armstrong, Dorothy Bowman and the Corporate and Policy Officer.
- b) **County Durham Association of Local Councils**  
Councillors Arun M. Chandran, Ken Robson and the Town Clerk
- c) **Aycliffe Village Hall Association**  
Councillor Neville Jones.
- d) **Woodham Village Community Association**  
Councillors Michael Stead and Lindsey Aston.
- e) **Great Aycliffe and Middridge Local Councils' Committee**  
Councillors Arun M. Chandran, Peter Bergg and the Town Clerk.
- f) **Larger Local Councils' Forum**  
Councillors Arun M. Chandran, Martin Ashcroft and the Town Clerk.
- g) **Aycliffe and District Bus Preservation Society**  
Councillor Ian Gray.
- h) **Friends of Stockton and Darlington Railway**  
Councillor Jim Atkinson.
- i) **Western Area Partnership**  
Councillors Kate Hopper and Ken Robson

*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.*