

7th June 2023

**COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 14TH JUNE 2023 At 7.15PM.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to a Meeting of the Council which will be held on **Wednesday, 14th June 2023** at 7.15pm 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' DISPENSATIONS

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

Durham Police and Crime Commissioner Joy Allen will be in attendance to discuss concerns regarding future policing in Newton Aycliffe.

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 Annual General Meeting of the Council held on the 17th May 2023.

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 (AGM) – 17th May 2023
- (b) Environment Committee (AGM) – 17th May 2023
- (c) Policy and Resources Committee (AGM) – 17th May 2023
- (d) Environment Committee – 31st May 2023
- (e) Recreation Committee – 31st May 2023
- (f) Policy and Resources Committee – 7th June 2023

10. REQUEST TO USE MOORE LANE ENVIRONMENT CENTRE – GREEN ARTS

... To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk and Works and Environment Officer.

11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION CONSULTATION – CHANGES TO THE COUNTY DURHAM ELECTORAL DIVISION BOUNDARIES

... To consider the attached report from the Corporate Management Team.

12. COUNTY DURHAM ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS NOMINATIONS

... To consider the attached email from CDALC requesting any nominations from the Council for positions on the CDALC Executive Committee and to consider any motions that the Council may wish to put forward to the CDALC AGM.

13. COUNCIL MEETING TIMES

... To consider the attached report from the Corporate Management Team.

14. APPROVAL OF THE 2022/23 ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

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

15. APPROVAL OF THE 2022/23 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

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

16. APPROVAL OF THE 2022/23 ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

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

17. COUNTY DURHAM ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – HOSTING OF THE LARGER AND SMALLER COUNCIL FORUM MEETINGS

... To consider a request from CDALC seeking to host the meetings of the Larger and Smaller Council Forums on 23rd November at the Oak Leaf Sports Complex, with the Council meeting the cost of the room hire and lunch and refreshments. The attached email provides further information.

18. OUTSIDE BODIES

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, Lindsey Aston and the Town Clerk
- c) **Aycliffe Village Community Association**
No representative currently.
- d) **Woodham Village Community Association**
Councillors Lindsey Aston and Michael Stead.
- 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, Lindsey Aston 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 George Gray 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.

Members are requested, during Council Meetings, to observe the Council's Standing Orders relating to the Business and Proceedings of the Council, with particular reference to the Rules of Debate, as well as the Members' Code of Conduct and the principles of Civility and Respect Pledge.