

RECREATION COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7PM

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am to inform you that a meeting of the Recreation Committee will be held on Wednesday, 2nd September 2026 at 7pm 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' 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.

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. MINUTES

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Committee held on the 8th July 2026. (previously circulated)

6. OAKLEAF GOLF COMPLEX REPORT

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Head of Leisure and Events for the eight weeks ended the 23rd August 2026.

7. OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX USAGE COMPARISONS

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Sports Complex Manager setting out the Sports Complex usage comparisons for July.

8. OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX NEW DEVELOPMENTS

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Sports Complex Manager.

9. PARKS UPDATE

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Works and Environment Manager.

10. PARKS EXCLUSION NOTICE

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Corporate and Policy Officer.

11. WEST PARK LAKES CLEANING

- . . . To give consideration to an item to be raised by Cllr Arun Chandran in connection with the cleaning of West Park Lakes.

12. SANTA TOURS SURVEY RESULTS

- . . . To consider the attached report from the Senior Management Team.

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.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councillors: Tunde Akinsanya, Tony Armstrong, Martin Ashcroft, Lindsey Aston, Jaci Beddard, Tony Beddard, Dorothy Bowman, Richard Burchell, Arun M. Chandran, Chris Clement, Neil Collinson, Luke Ellis, George Gray, Brian Haigh, Phil Hawkins, Andy Hill, Richard Hutchinson, Sharon Hutchinson, Sandra Kirby, Jackie McFadden Lewis, John Moore, Carl Robinson, Kyle Robinson, Ken Robson, Brian Sowerby, Michael Stead, Tracey Williams, Anne Woodward and John Woodward.