

15th July 2026

COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY 2026 at 7.00PM.

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to a Meeting of the Council which will be held on **Wednesday, 22nd July 2026 at 7.00pm** 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 – AYCLIFFE AND DISTRICT BUS PRESERVATION SOCIETY

Alex Willis from the Aycliffe and District Bus Preservation Society will be in attendance to discuss the future plans and aspirations for the Society and Museum.

6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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

7. MINUTES

- . . . To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on the 10th June 2026.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- . . . To receive any announcements from 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 – 8th July 2026
- (b) Environment Committee – 8th July 2026
- (c) Policy and Resources Committee – 15th July 2026

10. CLIMATE CHANGE UPDATE

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

11. INSURANCE POLICY STABILITY AGREEMENT EXTENSION

To consider the attached report from the Town Clerk.

12. SCOPING CONSULTATION FOR COUNTY DURHAM PLAN

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

13. OUTSIDE BODIES

To receive reports from representatives on the following Outside Bodies:

- (a) **County Durham Association of Local Councils**
Councillors Arun Chandran and Sharon Hutchinson
- (b) **County Durham Association of Local Councils Executive Committee**
Councillor Arun Chandran
- (c) **Aycliffe Village Community Association**
Councillor Carl Robinson
- (d) **Woodham Village Community Association**
Councillors: Jackie McFadden Lewis and Vijaya Kotur
- (e) **County Durham Association of Local Councils Larger Council Forum**
Councillors: Sharon Hutchinson and Michael Stead with the Town Clerk.
- (f) **Newton Aycliffe Bus Preservation Society**
Councillor Chris Clement
- (g) **Friends of Stockton and Darlington Railway**
Councillors: Luke Ellis and Sharon Hutchinson
- (h) **Western Area Partnership**
Councillors: Arun Chandran and Kyle Robinson
- (i) **Cornforth Partnership**
Councillors: Tony Armstrong and John Woodward

- (j) **Community Hub Development Group**
Councillor Tracey Williams and the Town Clerk
- (k) **Oak Leaf Golf Club**
Councillor Kyle Robinson and the Town Clerk

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.