

**COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2012**

DETAILED AGENDA

74. APOLOGIES

To date, Councillors Harrison (Town Mayor) and Yarker.

75. PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING CLERK

A presentation will be made to the outgoing Clerk, Mr Geoff Bosworth, by the Deputy Town Mayor (Councillor Blissett). Councillors will be given the opportunity to add their own thoughts.

76. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with this Council's adopted Code of Conduct (Minute 72(a)/Sep/12 refers), Members will be asked whether they have any personal, pecuniary or prejudicial interests in any matter on the agenda and, if so, to declare those interests at this point of the meeting. Members are reminded that a declaration can be given later in the meeting if a need arises during discussion.

77. THE COUNTY DURHAM PLAN

In accordance with the agreed arrangement (68(b)/Sep/12), Gavin Scott, from Durham County Council's Spatial Policy Team, will attend the meeting to give a presentation on the County Durham Plan Preferred Options Consultation. It is recommended that, in order for this Council to formulate a considered response, a Special Council meeting is convened. It has been agreed with the Chairman of the Modernisation Committee that the meeting of that Committee scheduled for Monday, 22 October can be postponed in favour of the arrangement of a Special Council meeting.

78. COUNCIL MEETING – 3 SEPTEMBER 2012 – MINUTES

Recommendation – That the Minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record.

79. SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – 10 SEPTEMBER 2012 – MINUTES

Recommendation – That the Minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record.

80. 'EN BLOC' ITEMS:-

- (1) **Planning Committee Meeting – 3 September 2012 – Minutes;**
- (2) **Finance Committee Meeting – 17 September 2012 – Minutes;**
- (3) **Planning Committee Meeting – 1 October 2012 – Minutes;**
- (4) **Christmas Festival Committee Meeting – 1 October 2012 – Minutes; and**
- (5) **Town Mayor's Activities.**

81. REFERRAL FROM COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS (report enclosed)

82. REPRESENTATION ON OTHER BODIES

The items included in the report are as follows:-

- (1) Teesdale Local Councils' Forum – Meeting on 17 September 2012; and
- (2) Barney Guild – Meeting 19 September 2012.

83. COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATION ON VARIOUS BODIES – VACANCIES

To report that Councillor Mrs Hamilton has resigned from two of this Council's various bodies which are as follows:-

- (1) St Mary's Barnard Castle Parish Hall Association; and
- (2) The Witham Hall Management Committee.

Recommendation – Members are asked to consider the filling of the vacancies.

84. TOWN CLERK'S SERVICE AS SCHOOL GOVERNOR

This report seeks the Council's approval for the incumbent Town Clerk to serve, in a personal capacity, as an Academy School governor.

Recommendation – That this Council authorises Mr King to serve in a personal capacity as an academy school governor in so much as this neither interferes nor impinges on his duties as Town Clerk.

85. SERVICE AND PROJECT UPDATES

The items included in the report are as follows:-

- (1) Floral and Open Spaces Issues;
- (2) Poppy Appeal; and
- (3) Christmas Festival Event 2012.

86. LOCAL COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME (report enclosed)

Recommendation – That the information be noted.

87. REVIEW OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRES – CONSULTATION UPDATE (report enclosed)

88. PROPOSED WARD BOUNDARY EXTENSION (report enclosed)

89. TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE EVENT

Durham County Council, County Durham Association of Local Councils and Durham Rural Community Council have organised a 'Town and Parish Council Update Event' scheduled for Monday, 29 October 2012 at Bowburn Community Centre from 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. and will include a presentation the current position on the asset transfer of community buildings across the county and a presentation by the County Council's Assistant Chief Executive giving an overview of emerging policies in relation to the Localism Act.

Recommendation – That a Member and the Clerk be authorised to attend the Town and Parish Council Update Event on 29 October 2012.

90. BARTLEMERE - KALAFAT STREET LIGHTING SCHEME (report enclosed)

91. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (in respect of Item 92 below)

Recommendation – That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the matters referred to at Items 186 to 188 below on the grounds that they may involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Parts 1 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the said Act.

92. 'A JOURNEY THROUGH TEESDALE' – REPLACEMENT MINI GOLF COURSE – APPOINTMENT OF STONE CONTRACTOR (report to follow)