



Northumberland County Council

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **COUNTY COUNCIL** to be held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Morpeth, NE61 2EF on **WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2019** at **3.00 PM** to transact the business mentioned in the accompanying agenda paper.

Yours faithfully,

Daljit Lally

Chief Executive

To the members of the County Council



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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

20 FEBRUARY 2019

AGENDA PAPER

Business to be transacted at a meeting of the County Council, to be held on the 20th day of February 2019

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of County Council held on 9 January 2019, as circulated, to be confirmed as a true record, signed by the Business Chair and sealed with the Common Seal of the Council (**see pages 7-32**).

3. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest (which includes any disclosable pecuniary interest) they may have in any of the items included on the agenda for the meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on 4 July 2012, and are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature (as defined under paragraph 17 of the Code Conduct) they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room

NB Any member needing clarification must contact Liam Henry, Legal Services Manager, on 01670 623324. Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS by the Business Chair, Leader or Head of Paid Service.

5. CORRESPONDENCE (if any) to date of meeting.

6. QUESTIONS to be put to the Business Chair, a member of the Cabinet or the Chair of any Committee or Sub Committee, in accordance with the Constitution's Rules of Procedure No.10.

7. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETINGS HELD ON:-

(1) Tuesday 15 January 2019 (see pages 33-38)

8. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MINUTES from the following Committees:-

- (1) Corporate Services and Economic Growth OSC (see pages 39-48)**
- (2) Family and Children's Services OSC (see pages 49-60)**
- (3) Health and Wellbeing OSC (see pages 61-82)**
- (4) Health and Wellbeing Board (see pages 83-96)**
- (5) Audit Committee (see pages 97-104)**

9. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Charges for Care and Support Services for Adults

To report on comments received during the recent consultation about proposed changes to the Council's charging policy for care and support services, and to ask the Council to adopt a revised charging policy. **The Cabinet's recommendations on this charging policy will be circulated once Cabinet has met (see pages 105-178).**

10. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

(1) Medium Term Financial Plan 2019-22 and Budget 2019-20

The purpose of this report is to enable the Cabinet to make formal budget recommendations to the County Council.

The report provides the Medium Term Financial Plan 2019-22 and Budget for 2019- 20, following the Government's Autumn Budget of 29 October 2018 and the publication of the provisional Local Government Finance Settlement on 13 December 2018.

It is important to note that there may need to be some revisions to the figures following receipt of the Government's February 2019 final Local Government Finance Settlement figures. It is proposed that any changes to the figures as a result of this announcement, which impact on the 2019-20 budget and 2019-22 Medium Term Financial Plan are delegated to the Council's Section 151 Officer in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services **(Budget report and appendices enclosed separately with the agenda).**

(2) Council Tax 2019-20

To provide Council Members with the financial information to enable the Council to calculate and set the Council Tax for 2019-20 **(see pages 179-198).**

11. ANNUAL TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 2019-20

Council is asked to approve a timetable of meetings for 2019-20 (**see pages 199-202**).

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE:

- Declare it and give details of its nature before the matter is discussed or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- Complete this sheet and pass it to the Democratic Services Officer.

Name (please print):
Meeting:
Date:
Item to which your interest relates:
Nature of Registerable Personal Interest i.e. either disclosable pecuniary interest (as defined by Annex 2 to Code of Conduct or other interest (as defined by Annex 3 to Code of Conduct) (please give details):
Nature of Non-registerable Personal Interest (please give details):
Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?

1. Registerable Personal Interests – You may have a Registerable Personal Interest if the issue being discussed in the meeting:

- a) relates to any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined by Annex 1 to the Code of Conduct); or
- b) any other interest (as defined by Annex 2 to the Code of Conduct)

The following interests are Disclosable Pecuniary Interests if they are an interest of either you or your spouse or civil partner:

- (1) Employment, Office, Companies, Profession or vocation; (2) Sponsorship; (3) Contracts with the Council; (4) Land in the County; (5) Licences in the County; (6) Corporate Tenancies with the Council; or
- (7) Securities - interests in Companies trading with the Council.

The following are other Registerable Personal Interests:

- (1) any body of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management) to which you are appointed or nominated by the Council; (2) any body which (i) exercises functions of a public nature or (ii) has charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management); or (3) any person from whom you have received within the previous three years a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of more than £50 which is attributable to your position as an elected or co-opted member of the Council.

2. Non-Registerable Personal Interests - You may have a non-registerable personal interest when you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are, or ought reasonably to be, aware that a decision in relation to an item of business which is to be transacted might reasonably be regarded as affecting your well being or financial position, or the well being or financial position of a person described below to a greater extent than most inhabitants of the area affected by the decision.

The persons referred to above are: (a) a member of your family; (b) any person with whom you have a close association; or (c) in relation to persons described in (a) and (b), their employer, any firm in which they are a partner, or company of which they are a director or shareholder.

3. Non-Participation in Council Business

When you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are aware that the criteria set out below are satisfied in relation to any matter to be considered, or being considered at that meeting, you must : (a) Declare that fact to the meeting; (b) Not participate (or further participate) in any discussion of the matter at the meeting; (c) Not participate in any vote (or further vote) taken on the matter at the meeting; and (d) Leave the room whilst the matter is being discussed.

The criteria for the purposes of the above paragraph are that: (a) You have a registerable or non-registerable personal interest in the matter which is such that a member of the public knowing the relevant facts would reasonably think it so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest; **and either** (b) the matter will affect the financial position of yourself or one of the persons or bodies referred to above or in any of your register entries; **or** (c) the matter concerns a request for any permission, licence, consent or registration sought by yourself or any of the persons referred to above or in any of your register entries.

This guidance is not a complete statement of the rules on declaration of interests which are contained in the Members' Code of Conduct. If in any doubt, please consult the Monitoring Officer or relevant Democratic Services Officer before the meeting.