



North East Derbyshire District Council

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Date: Friday, 13 September 2024

To: **All Members of the Council**

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to be held on **Monday, 23 September 2024 at 2.00 pm in the District Council Offices, Mill Lane, Wingerworth, Chesterfield S42 6NG.**

Group meetings will be arranged, where necessary, by the Group Leaders.

The meeting will also be live streamed from the Council's website on its You Tube Channel. Click on the following link if you want to view the meeting:

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Steuberg".

Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

AGENDA

1 Election of the Chair of the Council

Nominations are sought to elect the Chair of the Council for the remainder of the 2024-25 Municipal Year following the sad death of Councillor Gerry Morley, who had been elected to the Office at Annual Council on 20 May 2024.

2 Address of Gratitude to Members by the newly elected Chair of the Council

The newly elected Chair of the Council will thank Members and explain their community engagement and other priorities for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

3 Apologies for Absence

4 Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interests, not already on their register of interests, in any items on the agenda and withdraw from the meeting at the appropriate time.

5 Minutes of the Last Meetings (Pages 6 - 19)

To approve as a correct record and the Chair to sign the attached Minutes of the Council meeting held on 22 July 2024.

To approve as a correct record and the Chair to sign the attached Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 12 September 2024 – **NOW PUBLISHED**

6 Election of the Vice Chair of the Council

Nominations are sought to appoint the Vice-Chair of the Council for the remainder of the 2024-25 Municipal Year.

7 Leader of the Council's Announcements

8 Public Participation

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 8 to allow members of the public to ask questions about the Council's activities for a period up to fifteen minutes. The replies to any such questions will be given by the appropriate Cabinet Member. Questions must be received in writing or by email to the Monitoring Officer by 12 noon twelve clear working days before the meeting.

No questions have been submitted under Procedure Rule No 8 for this meeting.

9 **Appointment of the Chair of the Communities Scrutiny Committee - ADDITIONAL ITEM**

Nominations are sought to appoint the Chair of the Communities Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the 2024-25 Municipal Year.

10 **NEDDC Revised People Management Policies** (Pages 20 - 163)

Report of the Head of Paid Service

11 **Appointment of Independent Persons** (Pages 164 - 167)

Report of the Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

12 **To answer any questions from Members asked under Procedure Rule No 9.2**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 9.2 to allow Members to ask questions about Council activities. The replies to any such questions will be given by the Chair of the Council or relevant Committee or the appropriate Cabinet Member. Questions must be received in writing or by email to the Monitoring Officer by 12 noon twelve clear working days before the meeting.

The following question(s) have been received:-

Question 'A' – Councillor D Hancock to Councillor S Pickering, Portfolio Holder for Environment and Place

Could the member for Environment and Place provide Council with details of the measures being taken to reduce the number of missed refuse collections on a weekly basis.

Question 'B' – Councillor R Welton to Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance

Given the new Government's proposed changes to the NPPF and the impact these may have on the District and its planning policies, will the Leader reconsider what is effectively a 'closed shop, invitation only' membership of its Local Plan Steering Group and allow Groups to choose their own representatives, take and publish full minutes of meetings, in order to have the inclusion, accountability and transparency so often promised to members and residents

Question 'C' – Councillor A Dale to Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance

The previous Government had a clear focus on levelling up and regenerating northern and midland communities like ours. Clay Cross and nearby Staveley received £25million each, our Hospital has had major upgrades and the Barrow Hill Line was due to be re-opened for passengers. Dronfield also successfully secured £20m for regeneration over the next 10 years. In the first two months of the new Labour Government, they have already scrapped the Barrow Hill Line plans, which our former MP had worked tirelessly on and which had cross party support from across South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire, all to fill a supposed

black hole which they've helped to create with inflation-busting public sector pay rises. Will the Leader of the Council agree to write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and our new local MP to urge them not to give up on the regeneration of communities like ours when preparing for the autumn budget and to match the commitment of the last Government to invest £20m in improving Dronfield over the next 10 years?

13 To consider any Motions from Members under Procedure Rule No 10

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No 10 to consider Motions on notice from Members. Motions must be received in writing or by email to the Monitoring Officer by 12 noon twelve clear working days before the meeting.

The following Motion had been received:-

Motion 'A' – Proposed by Councillor Frank Adlington-Stringer

Council notes:-

- North East Derbyshire's electric vehicle (EV) charging network is the worse in the entire country, covering a mere 1.3% of "on-street" households;
- The Council are currently failing to meet its government set target of 517 EV charging points by 2030, with just 17 currently in situ;
- Despite a Government target of 35%, just 15% of residents are able to adopt a 'green commute';
- Given the rural nature of the District, the inadequate provision of bus routes between villages and failure to invest seriously in active travel infrastructure, EV's play an even more crucial role in decarbonising our area.

Council resolves:-

- (1) To swiftly investigate the feasibility of installing EV charging points at all 17 of its car parks across Clay Cross, Dronfield, Eckington and Killamarsh.
- (2) To write to the East Midlands Mayor requesting support for North East Derbyshire through their plans to 'rollout more charging points for electric vehicle'.
- (3) To write to Derbyshire County Council, recent recipients of a shared £17.6m Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) grant, requesting urgent support in North East Derbyshire.

14 Chair's Urgent Business

To consider any other matter which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.



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