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Dear Councillor,

**I Hereby Summon You to attend a Meeting of Ferryhill Town Council at 7.00pm on Wednesday 18th September 2019 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ferryhill.**

Dated this 11th day of September 2019

Mr D Shingleton  
Acting Town Clerk

## **AGENDA**

### **1. APOLOGIES**

To consider report from Acting Town Clerk and to receive apologies for absence

### **2. MEMBERS DISPENSATION**

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 that has not been recorded in the Members Register of Interests.

### **4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Members of the public are permitted to make representations, ask questions and give evidence in regard to any item of business included in the agenda of the Council and its Committees. Members of the public can submit a written question for the Council agenda as long as it is submitted 7 clear days (not including weekends, bank holidays and the day of the meeting) before the Council meeting date. Questions should relate either to the powers and duties of the Council, or affect the Parish in some way.

These will be entered into a register which will be open to the public for inspection.

**5. MINUTES**

- a) To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019
- b) To consider the report from the Acting Town Clerk

**6. COMMITTEE MINUTES**

To receive the minutes of the following Committees:

- a) Policy and Resources Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019

**7. PRESENTATIONS**

- a) To receive a presentation on Cancer Awareness by Andrea Mackrell
- b) To receive a presentation from Jennifer Clement on a proposal to help improve the environment (correspondence attached)

**8. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND INCOME**

To approve the monthly statements of accounts and income

**9. MOTIONS ON NOTICE**

To consider the following motions from Councillor Farry:

- a) i) As custodians of the Mainsforth and Dean & Chapter Colliery banners, and bearing in mind the heritage of Ferryhill, the Town Council agrees to engage directly with Ferryhill Town Band and to book their services to play and accompany the banner, when paraded, ensuring this covers the annual Durham Miners Gala.  
ii) That the cost of transport for the Town Band and the banner(s) plus the provision of at least one additional bus, depending on demand, be met by the Town Council until 2029. This to be reviewed every 15 years thereafter, thus ensuring the heritage of coal mining in Ferryhill is secure for future generations.  
iii) As this is already in the Town Council's programme of events, all arrangements to be agreed and organised by the Events and Community Engagement Sub-Committee.
- b) The Town Council purchases 150 bird and bat nesting boxes for the use of residents and the Town Council to help protect our natural environment and encourage garden birds.

**10. ACCOUNTS 2018-2019 – COMPLETION OF AUDIT**

To consider the report from the Acting Town Clerk

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Smokefree playgrounds – to consider voluntarily making the Council's playgrounds smoke free.
- b) Diverse/Black Miner Art Exhibition March to July 2021 – to consider allowing the Town Hall to be used for the final leg of a touring exhibition on diverse, African, Caribbean (black) miners' experiences and memories between February and April 2021.
- c) Letter from Mr B Lamb

**12. CHRISTMAS 2019 and NEW YEAR 2020 OFFICE CLOSURE**

To consider the report of the Acting Town Clerk

**13. ACTION REPORT UPDATE**

To consider a report from the Acting Town Clerk

**14. HONORARY BURGESS**

To consider the nomination for an Honorary Burgess received from Councillor Conroy

**15. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Members are requested to move the following motion:

“That in accordance with the provision of Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do now exclude the public and press for the remaining items on the Agenda by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to public interest.”

**16. TOWN CLERK UPDATE**

To consider an update on the position regarding the absence of the Town Clerk.