



Ferryhill Town Council

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Dear Councillor,

I Hereby Summon You to attend a Meeting of Ferryhill Town Council at 6.00PM on Wednesday, 15th September 2021, the meeting will be held at Dean Bank & Ferryhill Literary Institute, St Cuthbert's Terrace, Ferryhill, Co Durham, DL17 8PP

Dated 9th September 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D Anderson".

David Anderson
Town Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
To invite members to declare any interest they may have.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Public Participation (Subject to Public Participation Policy)**
Members of the public are 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.
- 5. Minutes**
To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of:-
 - a. Ordinary Council held on 21st July 2021

6. Statement of Accounts and Income

To approve the monthly statement of accounts and income

7. Correspondence

a. Durham County Council re Endeavour Woodcrafts

To receive a letter from Councillor Amanda Hopgood, Leader of Durham County Council, in respect of the following motion carried by this Council at its meeting held on 16th June 2021. (Minute No 25.21-22 refers).

“Every year officers of the County Council increase the rental burden on this charitable organisation, making it extremely difficult for them to operate with any degree of planned certainty. We propose consideration be given to acknowledging their charitable status by agreeing a "peppercorn" rent, or by freezing the current rental amount indefinitely”.

A further motion in respect of Endeavour Woodcraft is included at Item No 8.3 for consideration.

8. Motions on Notice

1. Councillor Joe Makepeace to move the following motion:

"That FTC replace all signage that encourage the use of dog leads in our park on request, with signage that makes the use of dog leads mandatory. Signage on the children's play areas and football pitch to be replaced banning dogs from these areas entirely".

Report of Town Clerk attached

2. Councillor Joe Makepeace to move the following motion:

"That Ferryhill Town Council direct staff to enact the decision taken by council almost 2 years ago to have the pavers replaced around the war memorial, at the same time extending the "standing area" by an agreed amount. This will accommodate the dignitaries and others currently being disadvantaged by the lack of hard standing, in inclement weather.

Flagstones not broken to be used to replace mismatched pavers at the side gates.

That the advised repairs to the main steps, described as potentially dangerous at the time quotes were received, be undertaken without any further delay."

Report of Town Clerk attached

3. Councillor Gordon Barker to move the following motion:

"Given the disappointing response from DCC regarding rent review for the above organisation, I would like FTC to take the following action, as previously discussed and agreed.

FTC write to the relevant department, copy chief executive and Leader of DCC, requesting a review of the Endeavour building as a DCC asset, and possible transfer of that asset to FTC. This would enable FTC to secure the long term future for Endeavour, in similar fashion to the steps historically taken for other organisations”.

Report of Town Clerk attached

9. Terms of References for Internal Audits for the period September to November 2021

Report of the Internal Auditor

10. Coronavirus Update

To consider

11. 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.”

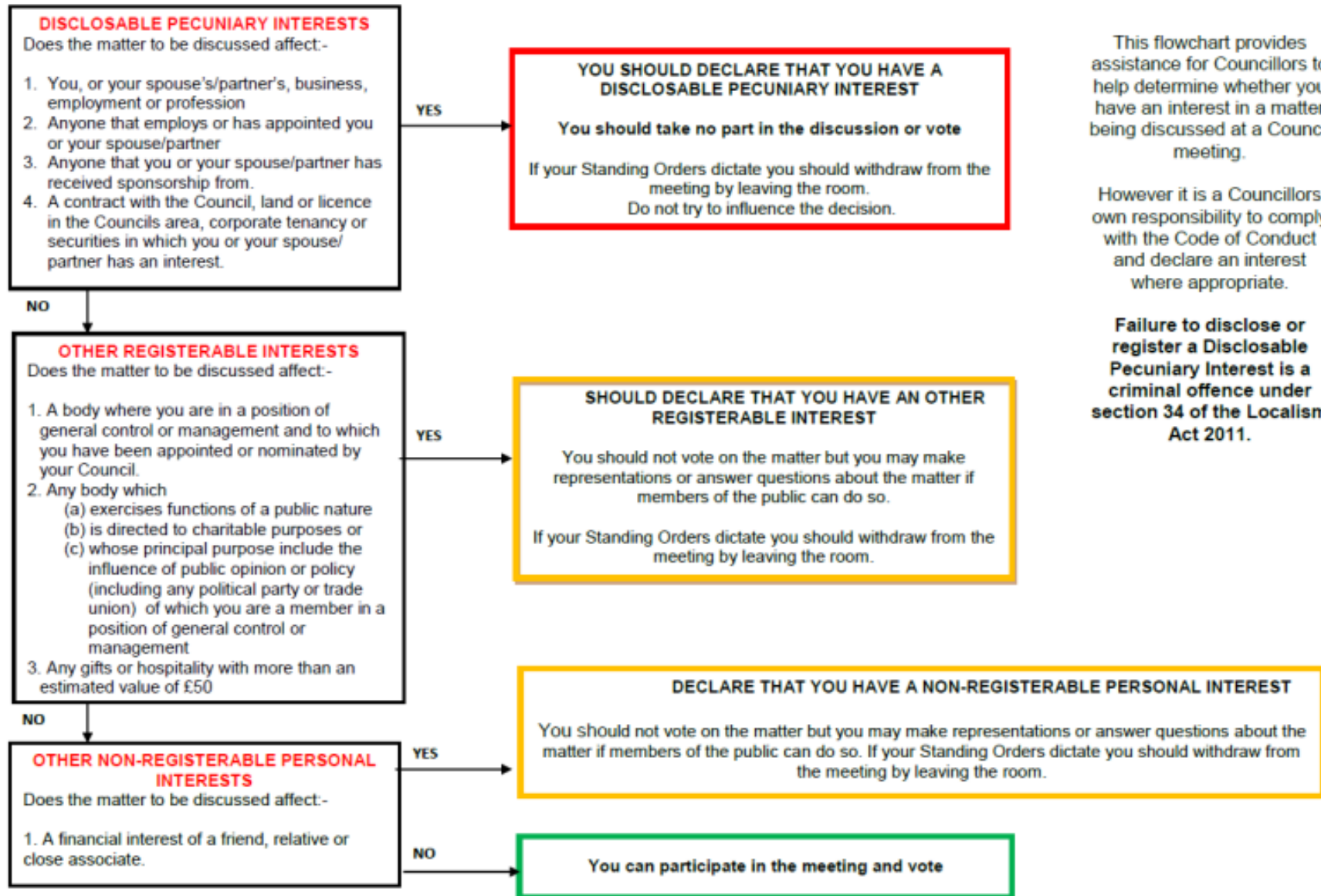
12. Flexi Retirement Request

Report of Town Clerk

13. Heritage Centre

An update will be given at the meeting.

DO I HAVE AN INTEREST?



This flowchart provides assistance for Councillors to help determine whether you have an interest in a matter being discussed at a Council meeting.

However it is a Councillors own responsibility to comply with the Code of Conduct and declare an interest where appropriate.

Failure to disclose or register a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest is a criminal offence under section 34 of the Localism Act 2011.