



## Ferryhill Town Council

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Dear Councillor,

**I Hereby Summon You** to attend a **Special Meeting** of **Ferryhill Town Council** at **6.00PM** on **Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023**, the meeting will be held at **Ferryhill Town Hall, Chapel Terrace, Ferryhill, Co Durham, DL17 8JL**

Dated 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023

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. Co-option of Councillor – Candidates Presentations**  
In accordance with the Council's co-option policy (attached), candidates will be given a maximum of five minutes to introduce themselves to the town councillors

(members), give information on their background and experience and explain why they wish to become a member of the Town Council.

The process will be carried out in the public session and there will be no private discussions between members prior to a vote being taken. However, where the Town Council is discussing the merits of candidates and inevitably their personal attributes, this could be prejudicial, and they should resolve to exclude the members of the press and public, including candidates.

## **6. 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.”

## **7. Co-Option of Councillor – Appointment**