

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Borough Council of Newcastle-under-Lyme to be held in the *Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Merrial Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 2AG* on *Wednesday, 9th September, 2015* at 7.30 pm or as soon as the Special Council for the Appointment of Aldermen has concluded.

BUSINESS

- 1 Apologies
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest from Members on items contained within this agenda.

3 MINUTES (Pages 7 - 12)

To consider the minutes of the previous meeting(s)

- 4 Mayors Announcements
- 5 Revised Financial Regulations (Pages 13 16)
- 6 Governance Review Sub Committee Update (Pages 17 20)
- 7 STATEMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (Pages 21 22)

To receive a statement by the Leader of the Council on the activities and decisions of Cabinet and items included on the Forward Plan.

8 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

Chairs are requested to submit written reports to the Democratic Services Manager at least 48 hours before the meeting.

- a) Finance, Resources and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
- b) Active and Cohesive Communities Scrutiny Committee
- c) Cleaner, Greener and Safer Communities Scrutiny Committee
- d) Economic Development and Enterprise Scrutiny Committee
- e) Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

9 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE REGULATORY COMMITTEES

Chairs are requested to submit written reports to the Democratic Services Manager at least 48 hours before the meeting.

- a) Audit and Risk Committee
- b) Planning Committee
- c) Licensing Committee
- d) Public Protection Committee

10 QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR, CABINET MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11, questions must be submitted at least 24 hours before the meeting. Any questions considered urgent will only be accepted with the agreement of the Mayor prior to the meeting.

11 MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

A notice of motion other than those listed in Appendix 7 Section 10 of the Constitution must reach the Chief Executive ten clear days before the relevant Meeting of the Council.

12 RECEIPT OF PETITIONS

A petition has been received in relation to land at Sheldon Grove, Chesterton also known as 'The Grumbles'.

The Petition Organiser will be given 5 minutes to present the petition following which Council will have 15 minutes to discuss the petition and decide how to respond.

The petition is available for Members to view in the Democratic Services Office.

13 Update on Previous Petitions Received.

14 URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any communications which pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 7 in Appendix 7 of the Constitution are, in the opinion of the Mayor, of an urgent nature and to pass thereon such resolutions as may be deemed necessary.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

NOTICE FOR COUNCILLORS

1. Fire/Bomb Alerts

In the event of the fire alarm sounding, leave the building immediately, following the fire exit signs. Do not stop to collect personal belongings, do not use the lifts.

Fire exits are to be found either side of the rear of the Council Chamber and at the rear of the Public Gallery.

On exiting the building Members, Officers and the Public must assemble at the car park at the rear of the Aspire Housing Office opposite to the Civic Offices. DO NOT re-enter the building until advised to by the Controlling Officer.

2. Attendance Record

Please sign the Attendance Record sheet, which will be circulating around the Council Chamber. Please ensure that the sheet is signed before leaving the meeting.

3. Mobile Phones

Please switch off all mobile phones before entering the Council Chamber.

4. Tea/Coffee

Refreshments will be available at the conclusion of the meeting, or in the event of a break occurring, during that break.

5. Notice of Motion

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