



COUNCIL

Council Summons and Agenda

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Annual Meeting of Ryedale District Council** to be held in the **Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton** on **Tuesday, 17 May 2016** at **3.00 pm** in the afternoon for the transaction of the following business:

Agenda

- 1 **Emergency Evacuation Procedure**
The Chairman to inform Members of the Public of the emergency evacuation procedure.
- 2 **Chairman**
To elect a Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.
- 3 **Vote of thanks to retiring Chairman**
- 4 **Vice Chairman**
To elect a Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.
- 5 **Apologies for absence**
- 6 **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 20)
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 21 May 2015.
- 7 **Urgent Business**
To receive notice of any urgent business which the Chairman considers should be dealt with at the meeting as a matter of urgency by virtue of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

8 **Declarations of Interest**

Members to indicate whether they will be declaring any interests under the Code of Conduct.

Members making a declaration of interest at a meeting of a Committee or Council are required to disclose the existence and nature of that interest. This requirement is not discharged by merely declaring a personal interest without further explanation.

9 **Announcements**

10 **Leader of the Council and Deputy Leader of the Council**

In accordance with the Council Constitution (Part 4 – Rules of Procedure) the Council may, at its Annual Meeting, elect a Leader of the Council and appoint a Deputy Leader of the Council for the ensuing year. It follows from the wording of the Constitution that the Council can decline to make these appointments.

11 **The allocation of seats on Committees between political groups and the appointment of Members to Committees** (Pages 21 - 28)

- (a) Committees for 2016/2017
- (b) The allocation of seats on Committees between political groups and the appointment of Members to Committees
- (c) The appointment of Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committees.

12 **Appointment of Independent Person**

On 17 May 2012 the Council adopted a new Code of Conduct setting out general principles of expected behaviour by Councillors and specifying requirements for the registration and declaration of their financial and other interests. The Council also approved a new simplified local process for dealing with complaints of alleged breaches of the Code.

The Localism Act 2011 specifies that the Council must appoint an Independent Person to be involved in this process. That role is currently being undertaken by two persons whose terms of office comes to an end on 12 July 2016.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 7 April 2016 considered a report relating to the recruitment and appointment of Independent Persons .

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee resolved as follows :

“That the vacancy for the position of Independent Person with Role Description and Person Specification shown on the attached Annex to the report be approved.

That an interviewing panel comprising the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee make recommendations for appointment to the Council.”

The Council has received two applications for the position of Independent Person. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommend that Council appoints the following applicants as independent persons for a term of four years with effect from 12 July 2016:

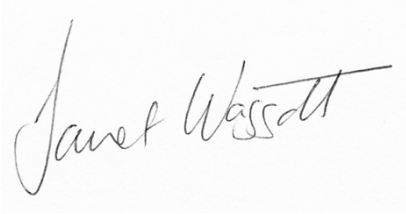
- i. Duncan Webster

ii. Gill Baker

13 Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent.

For Information Only (Pages 29 - 32)

- 2015/16 Annual Report From The Young People's Champion

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Janet Waggott
Chief Executive