



NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of the County Council to be held at County Hall, Northallerton, on **Wednesday, 16 May, 2007 at 10.30 am**, at which the following business will be transacted.

BUSINESS

1. **PRAYERS.**
2. **TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY COUNCIL** to serve until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2008.
3. To move that the **MINUTES of the meeting of the County Council held on 21 February, 2007** having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
4. **TO APPOINT A VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL** to serve until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2008.
5. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Any correspondence, communication or other business brought forward by the direction of the Chairman of the Council.
6. **A STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**, followed by any questions arising from the statement.
7. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS.**
8. To consider the **REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE** and make decisions on them.
 - Council Plan 2007-10
 - Social Inclusion Strategy 2007-10
 - Recording and Web Publication of Council Meetings
 - Indemnities for Members and Officers
 - Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies
9. To consider the **REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE** and make a decision on them.
 - Appointments of Independent Members
 - New Code of Conduct for Members
10. **STATEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE MEMBERS**, in the order set out below, **FOLLOWED BY STATEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMEN OF THE RELEVANT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES**,

Executive Members:-

- (a) Community Services – Adult social services, economic development, library and information services, e-government and communications
- (b) Community Services – community planning, community safety, cultural services, public protection, trading standards and post-16 Lifelong Learning
- (c) Environmental Services – planning, roads and traffic and archaeology
- (d) Environmental Services – public rights of way, conservation, waste disposal and public passenger transport
- (e) Corporate Services – corporate affairs, performance management, procurement, asset management and finance
- (f) Children’s Services – children’s services issues, SEN, special schools, youth service and Youth Offending Team
- (g) Children’s Services – Early years education and all school related education issues and advisory services

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairmen

- (h) Scrutiny Board
- (i) Scrutiny of Health Committee
- (j) Safe and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (k) Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (l) Care and Independence Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (m) Transport and Telecommunications Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (n) Economic Development and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (o) Environment and Heritage Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (p) Corporate Affairs Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- (q) Communications Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Each statement may be followed by any questions arising from the statement and, subject to notice having been given by 10.00 am on 15 May, 2007 questions on matters in that portfolio not mentioned in the statement.

11. MOTION – TWO AREA COMMITTEES FOR HARROGATE DISTRICT

County Councillor John Watson OBE to move and County Councillor Paul Richardson to second:

“That the County Area Committee for Harrogate District and its Sub-Committees be disestablished with immediate effect and, to undertake the role and responsibilities previously delegated to that Committee, there be established a Harrogate Town County Area Committee and a Harrogate Rural County Area Committee.

That the nine County Councillors for the following electoral divisions be appointed to the Harrogate Town County Area Committee:

- Harrogate Bilton and Nidd Gorge
- Harrogate Central
- Harrogate Harlow
- Harrogate Oatlands
- Harrogate Saltergate
- Harrogate Starbeck
- Pannal and Lower Wharfedale

And that the nine County Councillors for the following electoral divisions be appointed to the Harrogate Rural County Area Committee:

- Ainsty
- Boroughbridge
- Knaresborough
- Lower Nidderdale and Bishop Monkton

Masham and Fountains
Pateley Bridge
Ripon North
Ripon South

That the two new Area Committees be given the delegated powers granted to existing Area Committees, including the ability to appoint such members other than County Councillors that they wish.

That, recognising that the populations of the two new Area Committees will be approximately equal, being based on recently reviewed electoral divisions, the Area Committee's 2007/08 budget of £70,400 and any carry forward of area-wide underspends from 2006/07 should be split equally between the new Committees, with those Committees determining any further allocation or splitting of funds for themselves, and that any carried forward 2006/07 underspends allocated to specific electoral divisions should be allocated to the Area Committee which includes the electoral division the underspend relates to.

That the necessary consequential changes be made to the Constitution.”

(This motion should be considered and determined by the Council on 16 May, 2007 to take into account any changes to District Council representatives arising from the elections on 3 May and so that new arrangements can come into effect without delay.)

12. MOTION – PUBLIC TRANSPORT TIMETABLES.

County Councillor Richard Hall to move and County Councillor Bill Hoult to second:-

“North Yorkshire County Council is concerned about the lack of consultation on changes to public transport timetables as a result of:-

- 1) Changes in public subsidy by various public bodies for public transport services.
- 2) Decisions by the private public transport providers to alter or amend services for commercial reasons.

Council therefore calls on the Transport and Telecommunications Overview and Scrutiny Committee to undertake an investigation of how public consultation can be improved and report back to Council on 18 July 2007.”

13. COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 10 QUESTIONS.

JOHN MARSDEN
Chief Executive Officer

STEPHEN KNIGHT,
Head of Committee Services

County Hall,
NORTHALLERTON.

8 May, 2007

- NOTES:
- (a) Coffee will be available in the Members’ Lounge before the meeting.
 - (b) A buffet lunch will be provided in the Members’ Dining Room and the Members’ Lounge. Members taking lunch will have the appropriate amount deducted from any subsistence claim they make.
 - (c) Tea and coffee will be available in the Member’s Lounge at the conclusion of the meeting.