



## NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting of the County Council to be held at County Hall, Northallerton, on **Wednesday, 16 February, 2011 at 10.30 am**, at which the following business will be transacted.

### BUSINESS

1. **PRAYERS.**
2. To move that the **MINUTES of the meeting of the County Council held on 15 December 2010**, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
3. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Any correspondence, communication or other business brought forward by the direction of the Chairman of the Council.
4. **A STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**, followed by any questions arising from the statement.
5. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS.**
6. To consider the **REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE** and make decisions on them.
  - Revenue Budget 2011/12 and Medium Term Financial Strategy
  - Prudential Indicators
  - Treasury Management
  - School Admission Arrangements 2012/13
  - Appointments to Committees and outside bodies
7. **STATEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE MEMBERS**, in the order set out below, **FOLLOWED BY STATEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMEN OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES**,

Executive Members:-

  - (a) Corporate services, finance, performance management procurement. (Portfolio holder: County Councillor Carl Les)
  - (b) Lead Executive Member for Children's services (Children Act 2004), special education needs and youth justice. (Portfolio holder: County Councillor Caroline Patmore)
  - (c) Schools, 16-19 year old education, early years provision and youth provision (Portfolio holder: County Councillor John Watson OBE)

- (d) Adult and library services. (Portfolio holder: County Councillor Chris Metcalfe)
- (e) Highways and planning services. (Portfolio holder: County Councillor Gareth Dadd)
- (f) Rural services, waste disposal, public passenger transport and trading standards and economic development. (Portfolio holder: County Councillor Clare Wood)

#### Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairmen

- (g) Scrutiny Board (Chairman: County Councillor John Blackburn)
- (h) Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Chairman: County Councillor Keith Barnes)
- (i) Care and Independence Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Chairman: County Councillor Tony Hall)
- (j) Corporate and Partnerships Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Chairman: County Councillor Liz Casling)
- (k) Transport, Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Chairman: County Councillor David Jeffels)
- (l) Scrutiny of Health Committee (Chairman: County Councillor Jim Clark)

Each statement may be followed by any questions arising from the statement and then, subject to notice having been given by 10.00 am on 15 February, 2011, questions on matters in that portfolio not mentioned in the statement.

### **8. COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 10 QUESTIONS.**

### **9. MOTION – CLOSURE OF LIBRARIES**

County Councillor John Clark to move and County Councillor John Savage to second:-

“Free access to books and other sources of information is a cornerstone of a civilised society. The Library Consultation has caused immense unease and foreboding throughout North Yorkshire. In the present financial climate this has to be balanced with the totally unreasonable reduction in government grants to Local Authorities and hence the need for cuts.

The Consultation proposals have left many residents of North Yorkshire with the justified view that the ‘we are all in it together’ approach does not apply.

Those in the smaller communities are going to bear the brunt of the ‘cuts’ while those in the larger towns are to be left unscathed. This Council therefore resolves that:

- i) 6 of the 10 Mobile Libraries will be retained
- ii) All the smaller Libraries will be kept open, albeit with reduced hours.
- iii) There will be a reduction in the opening hours of the main Libraries.
- iv) The proposed Super Mobile Library will not be proceeded with.”

The mover believes that the Chairman should allow this motion to be debated on the day and has provided the following statement of reasons:

Because of:

- i) Immense public concern relating to the retention of North Yorkshire County Council Libraries
- ii) It is budget related and, therefore, would be more appropriate to be debated at this full Council.

RICHARD FLINTON  
Chief Executive Officer

CAROLE DUNN,  
Assistant Chief Executive  
(Legal and Democratic Services)

County Hall,  
NORTHALLERTON.

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- 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 Members' Lounge at the conclusion of the meeting.