



## **Local Government Act 1972**

**I Hereby Give You Notice** that an **Ordinary Meeting** of the **Durham County Council** will be held in the **Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham** on **Wednesday 21 January 2015 at 10.00 a.m.** to transact the following business:-

1. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2014 (Pages 1 - 8)
2. To receive any declarations of interest from Members
3. Chairman's Announcements
4. Leader's Report
5. Questions from the Public
6. Petitions
7. Report from the Cabinet (Pages 9 - 18)
8. Members' Allowances Scheme - Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel (Pages 19 - 26)
9. Public Questions at Council - Report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Pages 27 - 54)
10. Updated Local Code of Corporate Governance - Report of Corporate Director, Resources (Pages 55 - 72)
11. Motions on Notice

### **Councillor K Shaw to Move**

*This Council calls on the Government to re-enter talks with the Fire Brigades Union in line with the devolved administrations of Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland to reach a negotiated settlement that puts public and firefighter safety first.*

### **Councillor A Hopgood to Move**

*This Council, noting the recent agreement by it of a tree policy, agrees to investigate the creation of a policy for driving and parking on council owned grassed areas.*

*This Council recognises that many of these grassed areas are regularly used by residents and children for recreation and that inappropriate use by vehicles is causing significant danger as well as damage that is unsightly and expensive to repair.*

*This Council believes that the creation of a policy to address this issue would give council officers the power to have vehicles removed and enforce the non-vehicular access to our valuable green spaces.*

### **Councillor N Martin to Move**

*This Council notes the continuing undermining of public order and the additional burdens placed on the emergency services across County Durham due to the excessive consumption of alcohol.*

*This Council therefore calls on all political parties at the forthcoming general election to commit to implementing a countrywide policy for a minimum unit pricing of alcohol in order to mitigate these highly undesirable effects.*

### **12. Questions from Members**

**And** pursuant to the provisions of the above-named act, **I Hereby Summon You** to attend the said meeting

Dated this 13th day of January 2015



Colette Longbottom  
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

**To: All Members of the County Council**

