

16 May 2006

Dear Sir/Madam

The Annual Meeting of the District Council of Chester-le-Street will be held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Newcastle Road, Chester-le-Street, on Thursday, 25 May 2006, at 6.00 pm.

Your attendance is requested.

Yours faithfully

ROY TEMPLEMAN
Chief Executive

AGENDA:

- 1 To Elect a Chairman of the Council for 2006/2007
- 2 To Appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2006/2007
- 3 Apologies for Absence
- 4 To confirm the minutes of meeting held 20 April 2006
- 5 To receive Declarations of Interest from Members
- 6 To Appoint a Leader of the Council for 2006/2007 and to agree the maximum number of Executive Members
- 7 To note the appointment of Deputy Leader
- 8 To note the appointment of Portfolio Holders
- 9 To approve a programme of ordinary meetings of the Council for the year.
- 10 Appointment of Committees, Disapplication of Political Balance Rules, Annual Review of Political Balance, Allocation of Seats and Appointments and Nominations to Bodies
Report from Legal and Democratic Services Manager (Copy herewith)
- 11 Review of the Council's Constitution
Report from Legal and Democratic Services Manager (Copy herewith)

		<u>Seats to be Allocated</u>
12	To appoint Members to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board and the following Overview and Scrutiny Panels: -	9
	(a) Safe and Healthy Communities	9
	(b) Strong Communities	9
	(c) Green Communities	9
13	To Appoint Members to Standards Committee: 3 Council Members (Only 1 Executive Member)	
14	To appoint Members to the following Committees	<u>Seats to be Allocated</u>
	(a) Planning	15 Non-Executive Members
	(b) Licensing	15 Members
	(c) Personnel	11 Members
	(d) Appeals	Any 3 Members of an Overview and Scrutiny Panel
	(e) Audit	4 Members
	(f) Performance	Leader of the Council, Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Personnel and Communications
	(g) Electoral Arrangements Advisory Group	9 Members
15	To appoint Members to Other Bodies	
(a)	<u>Bodies not Requiring Political Balance</u>	<u>Present Representation</u>
	Association of North East Councils	Leader of the Council
	Association of Public Service Excellence	Councillor T H Harland
	Age Concern	Councillor A Turner
	Chester-le-Street Amateur Swimming Club	Councillor J W Barrett
	Chester-le-Street and City of Durham Enterprise Agency	Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Councillor M J Gollan
	Chester-le-Street Community Association	Councillor C Jukes Councillor R Richardson

Chester-le-Street District Youth and Community Committee	Councillor M J Gollan
Chester-le-Street and District Scout Executive Committee	Councillor D M Holding
Chester-le-Street and Durham Victim Support Group	Leader of the Councillor
Chester-le-Street Learning District Executive Committee	Councillor A Humes
Chester-le-Street Unit of Sea Cadet Corps Committee	Councillor R Harrison
Chester-le-Street Youth Centre Management Committee	Councillor A Humes
Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee	Councillor G A N Kerr
Coalfield Communities Campaign	Portfolio Holder for Regeneration
County Durham e-Government Partnership	Portfolio Holder for Regeneration
County Health Scrutiny Sub Committee	Councillors G Armstrong and R Harrison
Crime Prevention Panel	Councillor D M Holding
Durham County Association of Local Authorities	Leader of the Council and Deputy Leader of the Council
Durham County Waste Partnership	Portfolio Holder for Environment
Durham County Valuation Tribunal	Councillor J J Evans
Durham Rural Community Council	Vacant
Great North Forest	Councillor A Humes Councillor D S Meek
Groundwork West Durham	Councillor G K Davidson
Keep Britain Tidy Group Regional Committee	Councillor C Carr
Local Agenda 21	Councillor C Carr

Local Police/Public Consultative Committee	Portfolio Holder for Housing & Community Safety and Chair of Safe & Healthy Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel
Local Government Association General Assembly	Leader of the Council
Local Arts Forum	Councillor G K Davidson
North East Assembly	Leader of the Council
North Eastern Regional Employer's Organisation	Portfolio Holder for Personnel & Communications
Northern Consortium of Housing Authorities	Portfolio Holder for Housing and Community Safety
Northern Regional Executive Committee for National Housing and Town Planning Council	Councillor G K Davidson
Northern Regional Home and Leisure Safety Council	Councillor S C L Westrip
Pelton Community Association	Councillor I S Smith Vacancy
Roseberry Grange Golf Course Committee	Councillor K Potts
Sacrison Development Group	Councillor D L Robson
Town Twinning Association	
School Governors: -	
One required for each of the following Schools- (No person is allowed to serve on more than two)	
Chester-le-Street Pelaw Infants School	Councillor C Jukes
Chester-le-Street Cestria Junior and Infant School	Councillor P Ellis
Chester-le-Street Newker Primary School	Councillor G K Davidson
Chester-le-Street Bullion Lane Junior and Infant School	Councillor S A Henig

(b) Bodies Requiring Political Balance(1) Chester-le-Street Park View Comprehensive School and Community Shared Use SchemeJoint Shared Use SchemePresent RepresentationSeats to be Allocated

Leader of the Council
 Councillor P Ellis
 Councillor S Gollan
 Councillor L E W Brown

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Community Association CommitteePresent RepresentationSeats to be Allocated

Councillor R W Hall
 Councillor C Jukes
 Councillor G A N Kerr
 Councillor L E W Brown

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| 16 | Audit Letter and Progress Report
Report from Assistant Chief Executive | (Copy herewith) |
| 17 | Progress on preparation of Corporate
Plan 2006/2009 featuring Best Value
Performance Plan 2006/2007
Report from Assistant Chief Executive | (Copy herewith)
(Appendix 1 to follow) |
| 18 | Response to Audit Commission
Consultation on the Future of
Comprehensive Performance
Assessments
Report from Assistant Chief Executive | (Copy herewith) |
| 19 | Chester-le-Street Community
Engagement and Involvement Strategy
Report from Assistant Chief Executive | (Copy herewith) |
| 20 | Statement and General Policy Health and
Safety
Report from Health and Safety Manager | (Copy herewith) |
| 21 | Large Scale Voluntary Transfer –
Establishment of Shadow Board
Report from Director of Community
Services | (Copy to follow) |

22	Information Booklet	(Copy to follow)
23	Correspondence	
24	Conferences	
25	Common Seal	
26	Presentation of Civic Awards	
27	Exclusion of Public and Press. To RESOLVE: 'That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act'	
28	Review of Assistant Chief Executive's Teams Report from Assistant Chief Executive	(Copy herewith)