

**CITY OF DURHAM**

**COUNCIL**  
**27<sup>th</sup> February, 2006**

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATION SERVICES**

**1. SHERBURN PARISH COUNCIL**

I recently received notification from the Clerk to Sherburn Parish Council that at a meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 10 January 2006 it was resolved that Sherburn should change its postal name to Sherburn Village and that the Sherburn Parish Council should be renamed Sherburn Village Parish Council.

Under Section 75 of the Local Government Act 1972, if a parish council so requests, the District Council in which the parish is situated may change the name of the parish.

In the event of the City Council being prepared to change the name of the parish council, notice of the change of name must be sent to the Secretary of State, to the Director General of the Ordnance Survey and to the Registrar General. In addition it is necessary for the City Council to publish the name change both in the parish and elsewhere in such manner as the City Council considers appropriate.

1. It is recommended that in accordance with the wishes of Sherburn Parish Council the proposal to change the name of the parish council to Sherburn Village Parish Council, is approved with effect from the 1 April 2006 and the necessary notification of the change of name be given.
2. That the parish council be requested to reimburse any out of pocket expenses incurred by the City Council in publishing the change of name.

**2. COUNCILLOR FIONNA DAVISON**

Councillor Fiona Davison has tendered her resignation as City Councillor for Shadforth and Sherburn Ward, with effect from 6 February 2006. In her letter to the Chief Executive she confirms that due to personal circumstances, she finds she can no longer devote the necessary time to fairly represent her Ward on the City Council.

**Recommended:** That the report be noted.