

# CABINET

Thursday,  
27 September 2007  
10.00 a.m.

Conference Room 1,  
Council Offices,  
Spennymoor

# AGENDA and REPORTS



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**العربية (Arabic)**

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**বাংলা (Bengali)**

যদি আপনি এই ডকুমেন্ট অন্য ভাষায় বা ফরমেটে চান, তাহলে দয়া করে আমাদেরকে বলুন।

**(中文 (繁體字)) (Cantonese)**

如欲索取以另一語文印製或另一格式製作的資料，請與我們聯絡。

**हिन्दी (Hindi)**

यदि आपको सूचना किसी अन्य भाषा या अन्य रूप में चाहिये तो कृपया हमसे कहे

**polski (Polish)**

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**ਪੰਜਾਬੀ (Punjabi)**

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**Español (Spanish)**

Póngase en contacto con nosotros si desea recibir información en otro idioma o formato.

**اردو (Urdu)**

اگر آپ کو معلومات کسی دیگر زبان یا دیگر شکل میں درکار ہوں تو برائے مہربانی ہم سے پوچھیے۔

## AGENDA

**1. APOLOGIES**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To notify the Chairman of any items that appear in the agenda in which you may have an interest.

**3. MINUTES**

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2007. (Pages 1 - 4)

### KEY DECISIONS

#### LEISURE AND CULTURE PORTFOLIO

**4. COBBLERS HALL RE-DEVELOPMENT**

Report of Director of Leisure Services. (Pages 5 - 12)

**5. NEWTON AYCLIFFE LEISURE CENTRE REFURBISHMENT**

Report of Director of Leisure Services. (Pages 13 - 16)

#### SOCIAL REGENERATION AND PARTNERSHIP PORTFOLIO

**6. LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME (LIP) SPENNYMOOR SETTLEMENT REGENERATION PROJECT**

Report of Chief Executive. (Pages 17 - 22)

#### SOCIAL REGENERATION AND PARTNERSHIP AND LEARNING AND EMPLOYMENT PORTFOLIOS

**7. COMMISSIONING OF AN AREA ACTION PLAN FOR SPENNYMOOR TOWN CENTRE**

Report of Assistant Chief Executive. (Pages 23 - 42)

### OTHER DECISIONS

#### STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP PORTFOLIO

**8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW PROPOSALS - IMPLICATIONS - PROPOSED SINGLE TIER AREAS: PROTECTION OF HISTORIC TRADITIONS AND CEREMONIAL ARRANGEMENTS**

Joint report of Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council. (Pages 43 - 46)

**9. REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT - POSITION AT 31ST JULY 2007**

Report of Director of Resources. (Pages 47 - 60)

**10. BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT 2007/08 CAPITAL PROGRAMME EXPENDITURE AND FINANCING POSITION TO 31ST JULY 2007**

Report of Director of Resources. (Pages 61 - 70)

## **MINUTES**

### **11. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES**

To consider the minutes of the following:

- (a) Strategic Leadership Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 12th June 2007 (Pages 71 - 76)
- (b) Healthy Borough With Strong Communities Overview And Scrutiny Committee - 28th June 2007 (Pages 77 - 80)
- (c) Prosperous and Attractive Borough Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 10th July 2007 (Pages 81 - 84)
- (d) Strategic Leadership Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 28th August 2007 (Pages 85 - 88)
- (e) Healthy Borough With Strong Communities Overview And Scrutiny Committee - 11th September 2007 (Pages 89 - 96)

### **12. AREA 1 FORUM**

Minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2007. (Pages 97 - 100)

**N.B. Whilst the following item does not contain any 'exempt' information, it should be noted that if members wish to raise any questions, it may be necessary to pass the appropriate resolution to exclude the press and public as the queries may involve the disclosure of exempt information.**

### **13. EMPLOYMENT ISSUES PANEL**

Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2007. (Pages 101 - 102)

#### **EXEMPT INFORMATION**

**The following items are not for publication by virtue of Paragraphs 1 and 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 A of the Local Government Act 1972. As such it is envisaged that an appropriate resolution will be passed at the meeting to exclude the press and public.**

#### **STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP PORTFOLIO**

### **14. ESTABLISHMENT REVIEW NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT - APPLICATION FOR FLEXIBLE RETIREMENT**

Joint report of Director of Neighbourhood Services and Chief Executive. (Pages 103 - 110)

#### **HOUSING PORTFOLIO**

### **15. COMPULSORY PURCHASE AT HAIG, NELSON, WOLSELEY AND CLIVE STREETS, FERRYHILL STATION**

Report of Director of Neighbourhood Services. (Pages 111 - 134)

## 16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Lead Members are requested to inform the Chief Executive or the Head of Democratic Services of any items they might wish to raise under this heading by no later than 12 noon on the day preceding the meeting. This will enable the Officers in consultation with the Chairman to determine whether consideration of the matter by the Cabinet is appropriate.

B. Allen  
Chief Executive

Council Offices  
SPENNYMOOR  
19<sup>TH</sup> September 2007

Councillor Mrs. A.M. Armstrong (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs. K. Conroy, V. Crosby, Mrs. B. Graham, A. Hodgson, Mrs. L. Hovvells, J.M. Khan, D.A. Newell and W. Waters

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### ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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