

19 May 2008

Dear Councillor

The Annual Meeting of the Council will be held in the **Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Newcastle Road, Chester-le-Street, Co Durham, DH3 3UT on Thursday, 29th May, 2008 at 6.00 pm**

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roy Templeman', is written over a faint rectangular stamp.

R TEMPLEMAN

Chief Executive

AGENDA:

1. To Elect a Chairman of the Council for 2008/2009
2. To Appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2008/2009
3. Apologies for Absence
4. To Confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held 24 April 2008 (Pages 1 - 6)
5. Public Speaking
6. To receive declarations of interest from Members
7. To Appoint a Leader of the Council for 2008/2009 and to agree the maximum number of Executive Members.
8. To note the appointment of Portfolio Holders

9. Annual Review of the Council's Constitution (Pages 7 - 28)
10. To approve a programme of ordinary meetings of the Council. (Pages 29 - 34)
11. Appointment of Committees, Annual Review of Political Balance, Disapplication of Political Balance Rules, Allocation of Seats and Appointments and Nominations to Bodies. (Pages 35 - 62)
12. To accept the report of the Audit Committee held 3 April 2008. (Pages 63 - 66)
13. Internal Audit Annual Report 2007/2008 (Pages 67 - 80)
14. Housing Strategy. (Pages 81 - 168)
15. Correspondence
16. Conferences
17. Common Seal