

# ANNUAL COUNCIL

Friday,  
19 May 2006  
11.00 a.m.

Council Chamber,  
Council Offices,  
Spennymoor

# AGENDA and REPORTS

## AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To notify the Mayor of any items that appear later in the agenda in which you may have an interest.
3. **APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR**

To elect a Mayor for the 2006/2007 Municipal Year. The Mayor will, on appointment, make a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
4. **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

To elect a Deputy Mayor for the 2006/2007 Municipal Year. The Deputy Mayor will, on appointment, make a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
5. **APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

To elect a Leader of the Council for the 2006/2007 Municipal Year.
6. **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

To appoint a Deputy Leader of the Council for the 2006/2007 Municipal Year.
7. **REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION**

To consider the following reports:-

  - (a) **ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Joint report of the Chief Executive Officer and Director of Resources.  
(Pages 1 - 10)
  - (b) **MEMBER INVOLVEMENT - PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE 'CALL-IN' PROCEDURE**

Report of Chief Executive Officer. (Pages 11 - 18)
  - (c) **CHANGES TO CABINET PORTFOLIOS**

Report of Director of Resources (Pages 19 - 30)
8. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989 THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (COMMITTEES AND POLITICAL GROUPS) REGULATIONS 1990**

Report of Chief Executive Officer (Pages 31 - 34)
9. **CABINET, COMMITTEES, PANELS, FORUMS, WORKING PARTIES AND GROUPS: MEMBERSHIP 2006/2007**

Report of Chief Executive Officer. (Pages 35 - 48)

**10. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS 2006/2007**

Report of Chief Executive Officer (Pages 49 - 60)

**11. FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS 2006/2007**

Report of Chief Executive Officer (Pages 61 - 62)

**EXEMPT INFORMATION**

**Item 12(a) is not for publication by virtue of Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 A of the Local Government Act 1972.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.**

**12. INTERIM MANAGEMENT AND RESTRUCTURING OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

**(a) Report of Chief Executive Officer**

To consider the attached report. (Pages 63 - 70)

**(b) Minutes of Chief Officer Appointments Panel**

To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2006 (to be circulated)

N. Vaulks  
Chief Executive Officer

Council Offices  
SPENNYMOOR

Councillor J.K. Piggott (Mayor) and

All other Members of the Council

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