



Civic Centre
HARTLEPOOL

10 May, 2024

Councillors Allen, Bailey-Fleet, Boddy, Brash, Buchan, Clayton, Cook, Cranney, Creevy, Darby, Dodds, Dunbar, Feeney, Hall, Hargreaves, Harrison, Holbrook, Jorgeson, Leedham, Lindridge, Little, Male, Martin-Wells, Moore, Morley, Nelson, Oliver, Reeve, Roy, Scarborough, Sharp, Smith, Thompson, C Wallace, S Wallace and Young.

Madam or Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the ANNUAL COUNCIL meeting to be held on TUESDAY, 21 MAY 2024 at 7.00 p.m. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool to consider the subjects set out in the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

D McGuckin
Managing Director

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ANNUAL COUNCIL AGENDA



21 May 2024

at 7.00 pm

**in the Council Chamber,
Civic Centre, Hartlepool.**

- (1) To elect a person to preside at the meeting if the Chair (Ceremonial Mayor) and Vice Chair (Deputy Ceremonial Mayor) is not present;
- (2) To receive apologies from absent Elected Members;
- (3) To elect the Chair of Council (Ceremonial Mayor) for the coming municipal year;
- (4) To elect the Vice Chair of Council (Deputy Ceremonial Mayor) for the coming municipal year;
- (5) To receive any announcements from the Chair of Council (Ceremonial Mayor) and/or Head of Paid Service;
- (6) To elect the Leader of the Council and a Deputy Leader of the Council for the coming municipal year;
- (7) To approve a programme of meetings of the Council for the year; and
- (8) To make appointments to committees and other bodies as required by the Constitution
- (9) To make appointments to joint committees and other outside bodies where appointment is reserved to Council
- (10) To resolve to adjourn the Annual Meeting to 23 May 2024 at 7.00 pm to receive suitable presentations from the newly elected Chair of Council (Ceremonial Mayor)

CIVIC CENTRE EVACUATION AND ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

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1. Council Meeting Dates 2024 / 25

- 1.1 The following are the proposed Council meeting dates for 2024 / 25. Members are reminded that once agreed the programme of ordinary meetings can only be amended by Council.
- 1.2 The proposed new dates for ordinary Council meetings are:-
 - Thursday 18 July 2024
 - Thursday 3 October 2024
 - Thursday 12 December 2024
 - Thursday 27 February 2025
 - Tuesday 20 May, 2025 (Annual Council)
 - Thursday 22 May, 2025 (Mayoral Investiture Ceremony)
- 1.3 The commencement time of all Council meetings will be 7.00 pm. Council is requested, therefore, to approve the meeting dates as set out above.

INTRODUCTION

The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 established the principle of the proportional allocation of Committee and Sub-Committee seats. The Council is required also under Section 15(1) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, to keep under review the representation of the different political groups on bodies appointed by the Council.

POLITICAL GROUPS

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the under-mentioned Councillors have given notice to the Managing Director of their wish to be regarded as members of the political groups as set out below:-

TO BE INSERTED

D APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND FORUMS

COMMITTEES AND FORUMS FULFILLING REGULATORY AND OTHER FUNCTIONS

Finance and Policy Committee* – 11 Members

1	Councillor Harrison <i>Chair (Leader)</i>	7	Councillor Nelson
2	Councillor Feeney Vice Chair /Deputy Leader)	8	Cllr Little
3	<i>Councillor Allen - Chair Adult Services</i>	9	Councillor Lindridge
4	<i>Councillor Creevy - Chair Children's Services</i>	10	Councillor Reeve
5	<i>Councillor Oliver - Chair Neighbourhood Services</i>	11	Councillor Young
6	<i>Councillor Hargreaves -Chair Economic Growth</i>		

(*Membership NOT to include any Audit and Governance Committee members)

Adult and Community Based Services Committee – 7 Members

1	<i>Councillor Allen - Chair</i>	5	Councillor Boddy
2	<i>Councillor Hall - Vice Chair</i>	6	Councillor Buchan
3	Councillor Roy	7	Councillor Little
4	Councillor Cook		

Neighbourhoods Services Committee – 7 Members

1	<i>Councillor Oliver - Chair</i>	5	Councillor C Wallace
2	<i>Councillor Clayton - Vice Chair</i>	6	Con Vacancy
3	Councillor Male	7	Councillor Little
4	Councillor Cook		

Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee –7 Members

1	<i>Councillor Hargreaves - Chair</i>	5	Councillor Male
2	<i>Councillor Dodds - Vice Chair</i>	6	Councillor Lindridge
3	Councillor Bailey-Fleet	7	Councillor Martin-Wells
4	Councillor Scarborough		

Children's Services Committee –7 Members

1	Councillor Creevy - Chair	5	Councillor Harrison
2	Councillor Sharp - Vice Chair	6	Councillor Little
3	Councillor Dunbar	7	Councillor Moore
4	Councillor Holbrook		

Plus Independent Co-opted Members, including C. of E. and R.C. Representatives (with voting rights) parent governor representatives and potential other co-optees.

Corporate Parent Forum –7 Members

Membership same as the Children's Services Committee

Health and Wellbeing Board –4 Members (including Leader of Council)

1	Councillor Harrison - Chair (Leader)	3	Councillor Roy
2	Councillor Boddy	4	Vacancy

Licensing Committee –12 Members

1	Councillor Dunbar - <i>Chair</i>	7	Councillor Jorgeson
2	Councillor Allen <i>Vice Chair</i>	8	Councillor Nelson
3	Councillor Bailey-Fleet	9	Councillor Young
4	Councillor Thompson	10	Con Vacancy
5	Councillor Clayton	11	Councillor Little
6	Councillor Feeney	12	Ind Vacancy

Planning Committee –11 Members

1	Councillor Feeney - Chair	7	Councillor Scarborough
2	Councillor Boddy - Vice Chair	8	Councillor Martin-Wells
3	Councillor Jorgeson	9	Councillor Young
4	Councillor Thompson	10	Councillor Little
5	Councillor Sharp	11	Ind Vacancy
6	Councillor Oliver		

Audit and Governance Committee* – 10 Members

1	Councillor Moore - <i>Chair</i>	6	Councillor Boddy
2	Councillor Buchan <i>Vice Chair</i>	7	Councillor Thompson
3	Councillor Roy	8	Councillor Jorgeson
4	Councillor Hall	9	Councillor Morley
5	Councillor Holbrook	10	Con/Ind Vacancy

(*Membership NOT to include any Finance and Policy Committee members and Chair and Vice Chair must NOT be from Majority Group.)

Plus Independent Member(s) for Standards functions and Parish Council representatives when dealing with Parish Council issues and one fully co-opted representative from a responsible local policing body during consideration of Crime and Disorder Committee matters.

The term of office of Independent Member (Martin Slimings comes to an end on 28 May 2025)

Constitution Committee – 9 Members

1	Councillor Harrison - <i>Chair (Leader)</i>	6	Councillor Bailey-Fleet
2	Councillor Little/Thompson (<i>Chair of Council</i>)	7	Cllr Little if not successful in chair of council nomination
3	Councillor Dodds	8	1 Independent/Conservative Vacancy
4	Councillor Male	9	Councillor Buchan
5	Councillor Boddy	Also to include Chair of relevant Policy Committee	

Appointments Panel – 8 Members

1	Councillor Little/Thompson <i>Chair of Council</i>	5	Councillor Hargreaves
2	Councillor Harrison <i>Leader of Council</i>	6	Cllr Little if not successful in chair of council nomination
3	Councillor Clayton	7	Vacancy (Lab/Con/Ind)
4	Councillor Holbrook	8	Cllr Buchan

Civic Honours Committee – 5 Members

1	Councillor Little/Thompson - <i>Chair of Council**</i>	4	Independent Vacancy
2	<i>Councillor Dodds</i>	5	Con Vacancy
3	Councillor Sharp		

** Outside of political balance calculations

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER BODIES

1. Introduction and explanation

The attached schedules show the categorisation of the currently recognised outside organisations and other bodies. There are five main categories as follows:

- (i) Joint Committees
- (ii) Leadership Bodies and Partnerships
- (iii) Advisory
- (iv) Council in the Community
- (v) Other Decision Making Bodies

It will be open to the Council to make Officer nominations where appropriate in respect of most bodies, the main exception being formal Joint Committees where Member attendance is a statutory requirement. In some cases it may be possible and appropriate to make nominations of persons from outside of Council.

These sub categories have been determined as follows:

(i) Joint Committees

Part IV of the Local Government Act 1972 and other specific legislation provides that the arrangements for the discharge of functions may be through a joint Committee of two or more Local Authorities.

(ii) Leadership Bodies and Partnerships

Involvement in such bodies and partnerships will cover the following roles:

- to represent the interests of Hartlepool
- to lead the community planning process
- to be the focus for forming partnerships with other public, private, voluntary and community sector organisations to address local needs.

(iii) Advisory

Bodies which relate to the Council's functions in an advisory or influencing capacity.

(iv) Council in the community

These are bodies which do not discharge functions of the Council and where the principal role of Elected Members who are nominated will be to represent constituency interests, whether at the Ward or Borough level.

(v) Other decision making bodies

These are decision making bodies other than Joint Committees.

(i) **JOINT COMMITTEES**

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2024/25 Membership</u>
3	Archives Joint Committee	(1) Cllr Male Designated Sub:
5	Cleveland Emergency Planning Joint Committee	(1) Cllr Oliver (Chair of Neighbourhood Services Committee) Designated Sub: Cllr C Wallace
7	Cleveland Police and Crime Panel (Statutory Guidance applies) (Politically balanced across Cleveland area –	(1) Cllr Oliver Designated Sub: Cllr Male (2) Vacancy Designated Sub: Cllr
30	North Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority	(1) Cllr Creevy
33	Northumbria Regional Flood and Coastal Committee	(1) Cllr Little/Dodds
48	Tees Valley Joint Health Scrutiny Committee (2024/25 Hartlepool Chair)	(1) Cllr Moore (Chair of Audit and Governance Committee) (2) Cllr (Member of A and G Committee – refer to A and G Committee) (3) Cllr (Member of A and G Committee – refer to A and G Committee)
36	Regional Health Joint Scrutiny Committee (2024/25 South Tyneside Chair)	(1) Cllr Moore (Chair of Audit and Governance Committee)
10	Durham, Darlington and Teesside, Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby Sustainability and Transformation Plans (STP) Joint Health Scrutiny Committee	(1) Cllr Moore (Chair of Audit and Governance Committee)* (2) * refer to Audit and Governance Committee (3) * refer to Audit and Governance Committee (*Member of Audit and Governance Cttee)
34	Patrol (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Adjudication Joint Committee	(1) Cllr Clayton

(ii) LEADERSHIP BODIES & PARTNERSHIPS

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
4	Association of North East Councils Sub-groups of ANEC as noted below: Leaders and Elected Mayor's Group Collaborative Procurement Sub-Group (replaces NEPO appointment) North East Culture Partnership Board	No nominations required – appointments are no longer required for the full association (1) Leader, Cllr Harrison (2) Managing Director (Advisory capacity) (1) Cllr Harrison (Chair of Finance and Policy Committee) (1) Cllr Hargreaves
11	Durham Heritage Coast Partnership Steering Group	(1) Cllr Nelson
12	Economic Regeneration and Tourism Forum	(1) Asst Director, Economic Growth and Regeneration (2) Cllr Harrison (Chair of Finance and Policy Committee) (3) Cllr Hargreaves (Chair of Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee)
17	Hartlepool and District Sports Council	(1) Cllr Allen (2) Cllr Jorgeon (3) Cllr Little/Holbrook
19	Hartlepool Power Station (i) Community Liaison Committee (ii) Emergency Planning Committee	(1) Cllr Dodds (2) Cllr Brash (3) Asst Director, Preventative and Community Based Servs (1) Chief Emergency Planning Officer
50	Tees Valley Leaders and Elected Mayor's Group	(1) Leader – Cllr Harrison (Sub Deputy Leader – Councillor Feeney) (2) Managing Director
49	Tees Valley Leaders & Chief Executive's Meeting	(1) Leader – Cllr Harrison (Sub Deputy Leader - Councillor Feeney) (2) Managing Director

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
22	Local Government Association	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (2) Cllr Feeney(Deputy Leader)
22	Local Government Association Coastal Special Interest Group	(1) Cllr Creevy
28	North East Migration Partnership Member Forum	(1) Vacancy (Chair of Finance and Policy Committee)
31	North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust	(1) Cllr Roy
32	Northern Consortium of Housing Authorities	(1) Cllr Harrison(Chair of Finance and Policy Committee) (2) Cllr Feeney (Vice-Chair of Finance and Policy Committee)
38	Safer Hartlepool Partnership	(1) Vacancy (2) Vacancy Councillor Little
41	Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (Term of office 2020-2024)	(1) Cllr Harrison (2) Vacancy
42	Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Trust	Cllr Cook
47	Tees Valley Combined Authority Board (i) Transport Committee	(1) Cllr Harrison, Leader (Sub – Councillor Hargreaves) (1) Cllr Oliver (Chair of Neighbourhood Services Committee) (Sub – Cllr Dodds)

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
	(iii) Audit and Governance Committee Politically balanced to be confirmed	(1) Labour Vacancy (Member of Audit and Governance Committee) Sub – Cllr
	(iv) Overview and Scrutiny Committee Politically balanced to be confirmed (Membership of Overview and Scrutiny not to include the TVCA Audit and Governance Member or Transport Committee Member) (v) Independent Remuneration Panel (vi) Education, Employment and Skills Partnership Board	(1) Cllr Creevy (Substitute – Cllr Morley) (2) Cllr Nelson (Substitute – Cllr Dodds) (3) Conservative Nomination (Substitute – Cllr) (1) Martin Slimings (Independent Member) (1) Councillor Hargreaves Substitute – Cllr Dodds)
25	National Museum of Royal Navy Hartlepool (NMRN Hartlepool) Charitable Trust	(1) (Leader)* relinquished to Councillor Moore (2) Managing Director* *Board Members are both company directors and trustees
55	The Northern Studios (Hartlepool) Limited	(1) Managing Director* *Board Member is Company Director
26	North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) (Term of office 2022 – 2024)	(1) No appointment required – appointed by ANEC
27	North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Partnership	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (2) Director of Public Health
18	Hartlepool Mayoral Development Corporation (Mayoral Appointment)	(1) Board Member – Mayoral Appointment (2) Denise McGuckin (Associate Member/Non-voting)
43	Tees Port Welfare Committee	(1) Cllr Dodds
9	Domestic Abuse Strategic Partnership	(1) Cllr Oliver

(iii) **ADVISORY**

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
23	Local Joint Consultative Committee Politically balanced Lab – 5 Cons – 1 IND - 1	(1) Cllr Male (2) Cllr Harrison (3) Cllr Dunbar (chair) (4) Cllr Hargreaves (5) Cllr C Wallace (6) Con Vacancy (7) Ind Vacancy
39	Schools Admission Forum	(1) Cllr Sharp (Vice -Chair of Children's Services Committee) (2) Cllr Harrison (3) Cllr Bailey-Fleet

(iv) **COUNCIL IN THE COMMUNITY**

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
2	Age UK Teesside	(1) Vacancy
6	Cleveland Fire Authority Politically balanced Lab – 2 Con / Ind - 1 Executive	(1) Cllr Clayton (2) Cllr Allen (3) Cllr Buchan (1) Fire Authority appoint to Executive
44	Teesside International Airport Board	(1) Cllr Roy
45	Teesside International Airport Consultative Committee	(1) Vacancy
14	Fairtrade Town Steering Group	(1) Cllr Harrison
15	Fostering Panel (3 year term ends 2026)	(1) Cllr Harrison
1	Adoption Tees Valley Board (3 year term ends 2024)	(1) Cllr Harrison
20	Hartlepool War Memorial and Crosby Homes (4 year term of office – 2023 to 2026)	(1) Ex-officio Chair of Council (2) Mr Brian Cowie/Councillor C Wallace
21	Henry Smith Educational Charity (i) Nominated trustees – Term of office 1 year	(1) Cllr Creevy (Chair of Children's Services Committee) (2) Cllr Nelson (3) Vacancy
35	Preston Simpson Scholarship in Music (Term of Office 2021- 2025)	(1) Cllr Harrison (2) Cllr Creevy (3) Mr Chris Simmons
37	River Tees Port Health Authority	(1) Cllr Dodds (2) Cllr Harrison
52	Teesmouth Field Centre	(1) Cllr Feeney (2) Appropriate Officer
56	Victoria and Jubilee Homes (Term of Office 2022-2026)	(1) Cllr Hall (2) Cllr Brash (3) Cllr Allen (4) Cllr Male – new appointment

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
	<u>Champions</u>	
	Armed Forces Champion	(1) Cllr Chris Wallace
	Veterans Champion	(1) Nomination from Armed Forces Liaison Group – Mr Terence Phillips
	Heritage Champion (Member of Planning Committee)	(1) Cllr Sharp
	Mental Health Champion	(1) Cllr Cook
	Older Persons Champion (Chair of Adult and Community Based Services Committee)	(1) Cllr Allen
	Refugee Champion	(1) Cllr Thompson
	Children in our care Champion	(1) Cllrs Creevy

Other than the Armed Forces Champion, there is no requirement for a Member to present an Annual report to a meeting of Full Council. However, if a Member Champion would like to present an Annual Report, arrangements will be made to facilitate that presentation. There shall be no more than one presentation by a Member Champion at any meeting of Full Council

(v) OTHER DECISION MAKING BODIES

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
24	National Association of Councillors: English Region General Management Committee	(1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (Voting) (2) Cllr Feeney(Deputy Leader) (Voting) (3) Cllr Dodds Only 2 voting elected Members/ to be specified (1) Cllr Harrison (Leader) (Voting) (2) Cllr Feeney(Deputy Leader) (Voting) (3) Cllr Clayton Only 2 voting Elected Members/ to be specified
29	North East Regional Employers Organisation Executive	(1) Cllr Harrison(Chair of Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee) (2) Cllr Scarborough (3) Cllr Nelson (1) Cllr Hargreaves (Chair of Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee)
54	Teesside Pension Fund Teesside Pension Board (4 year Term of office 2023 – 2027)****	(1) Cllr Creevy (1) Cllr Dunbar
16	Furness Seaman’s Pension Fund*** (4 year Term of office until 2025)	(1) Vacant (2) Vacant
53	Teesside Environmental Trust	(1) Cllr Dodds

(vi) **WORKING GROUPS**

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>2023/24 Membership</u>
8	Crustacean Deaths Working Group	(1) Cllr Creevy(Mover of Motion) (2) Cllr (Audit and Governance Committee Member) (3) Cllr (Economic Growth and Regeneration Committee Member) (4) Statutory Scrutiny Manager Councillor Feeney

***The persons nominated do not have to be Elected Members of the Council.

**** 2 appointments from Members of Tees Valley Local Authorities .

APPROVED CONFERENCES:

Local Government Association

Centre for Public Scrutiny

National Association of Councillors (3 delegates to attend)