



# Bishop Auckland Town Council

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08 February 2021

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **Bishop Auckland Town Council** via Zoom on Tuesday **11 February 2021 at 6pm**. Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend. The Chairman advises members of the Council and the public that the meeting or part of the meeting may be recorded by audio and may be by video.

You can access the meeting via the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92209603990?pwd=Q2Q2eisxb0ZwTHBKWnl1MWNVWFFDZz09>

Meeting ID: 922 0960 3990

Passcode: 846456

## AGENDA

1. **Notice of Meeting** – Public Notice of the meeting has been given in accordance with Paragraph 7 & 10 (2)(b) of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972.
2. **Agree Notice of Motion** - to call the meeting to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021.
3. **Apologies for absence** - To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.
4. **Declarations of interest** - To record declarations of interest from members on any item on the agenda, including, any interest prejudicial or personal as recorded on the Members register of interests.
5. **Minutes** - To approve the Minutes of the following meetings:
  - Town Council 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021
  - HR Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2021
6. **Matters Arising** - To from the above Minutes which are not included elsewhere on the agenda (for information only).
7. **Public Participation** - To hear from any members of the public subject to [Public Participation Policy](#)<sup>1</sup>.
8. **Reports**
  - a. Brighter Bishop Board – Chris Myers from DCC has been invited to update Members on the Future High Street Fund.
  - b. Town Team Update Report
  - c. County Council Report
  - d. Mayors Report
    - i. Birthday wishes – 105 years young
    - ii. Burns Night Quiz
    - iii. Funeral of local veteran
9. **Rural Communities Energy Fund**

<sup>1</sup> The policy is available on the website at <https://bishopauckland-tc.gov.uk/council/constitution-and-policies/>

**10. Kingsway Office Accommodation Update**

- a. Roof
- b. Car park & Fencing
- c. Contacts
  - i. Energy
  - ii. Maintenance

**11. Lease of office space at Kingsway**

**12. Finance**

- a. IT System – Finance Software.
- b. Month 10 – financial Update
- c. Community Fund Applications
  - i. Potential Donation to Foodbank for Holiday Hunger
- d. Monthly Payments and Cheques

**13. HR Policies**

- a. Adoption of Absence Management Policy & Other Policies for Staff Handbook

**14. Training**

- a. Election Training

**15. Professional Membership Renewals**

- a. Information Commissioner
- b. SLCC Renewal
- c. The Pensions Regulator

**16. Correspondence – details of any Correspondence (letters or email received) including:**

- Social media training
- Section 137 limit
- Town Team Banking
- Additional funds from DCC

*Exclusion of Press and Public In accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do now exclude the press and public for the remaining item on the agenda by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.*

**17. Current Staff Vacancy & Job Evaluation**

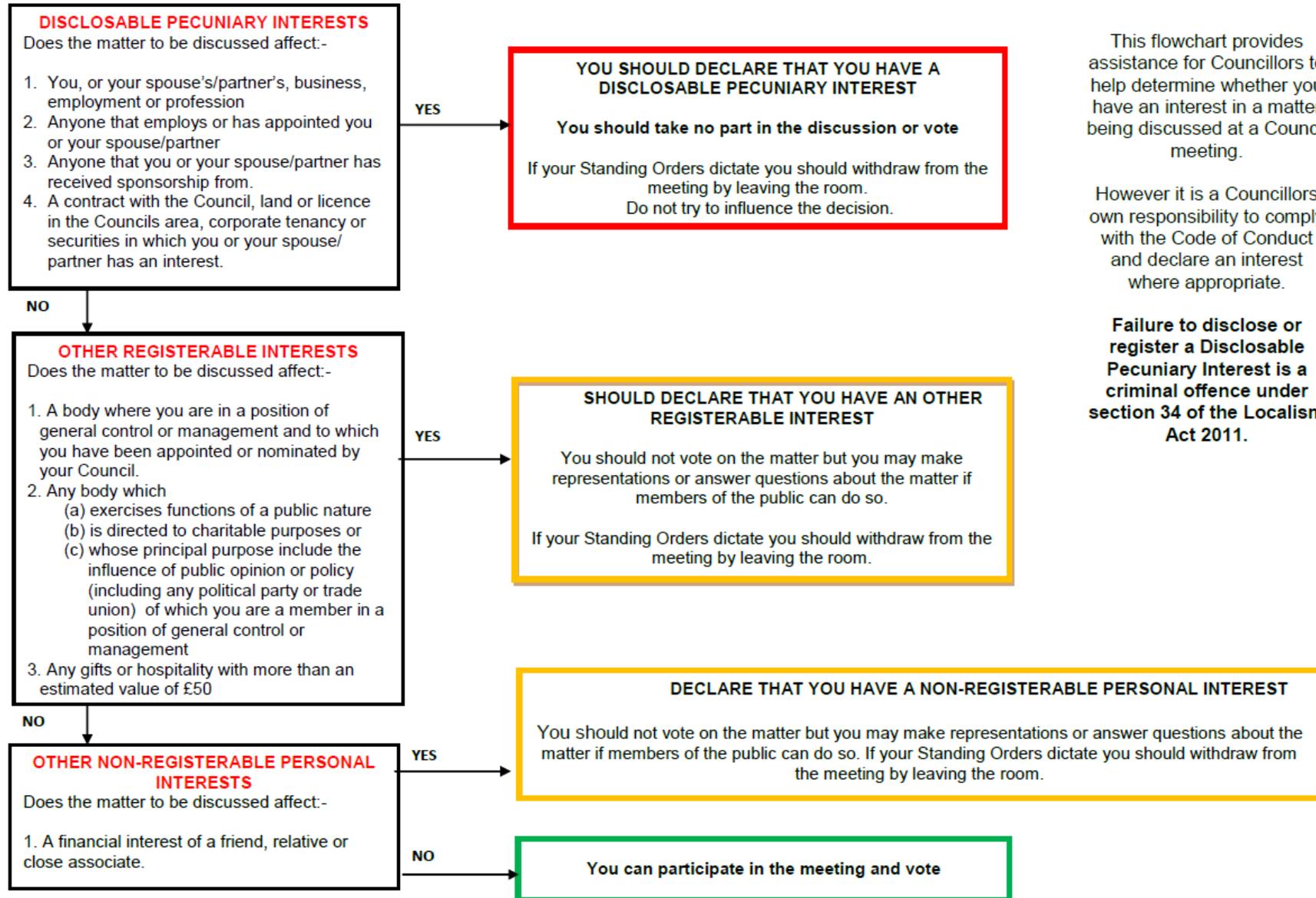
**18. Code of Conduct Complaint – decision outcome**

Planning Committee will follow the Town Council Meeting.



Sarah Harris  
Town Clerk

## DO I HAVE AN INTEREST?



This flowchart provides assistance for Councillors to help determine whether you have an interest in a matter being discussed at a Council meeting.

However it is a Councillors own responsibility to comply with the Code of Conduct and declare an interest where appropriate.

**Failure to disclose or register a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest is a criminal offence under section 34 of the Localism Act 2011.**

