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To: The Chairman and Members of Dronfield Town Council

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of Dronfield Town Council to be held on

**MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.30pm IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC HALL, DRONFIELD**

Yours sincerely



Andrew Tristram
Town Clerk

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AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
To receive apologies and reasons for absence from the meeting.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
To enable Members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they have in subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.
To receive and approve request for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.
3. **Public Speaking**
 - 3.1 **Planning Matters**
An opportunity for members of the public to raise any planning matter that members may be considering at the planning item of the following agenda.
 - 3.2 **General Matters**
A fifteen-minute session when members of the public and local residents can raise issues affecting the town. Any issues raised may be noted and a request by members for that matter to be placed on a future agenda for discussion and debate.
 - 3.3 **Police Matters**
If the Police Liaison Officer is in attendance they will be given the opportunity to raise any relevant matter.
4. **Council Minutes**
To receive and consider adopting as a true and accurate record, the draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 9th January 2017 (Pages 75-83)

5. **Planning Matters**

5.1 Planning Applications (Appendix 1)

To consider the attached schedule of planning applications submitted by North East Derbyshire District Council for comment and discussion. Further details of any application can be found at: <http://planapps-online.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk/online-applications/> And then by inputting the application reference number.

5.2 Planning Decisions (Appendix 2)

To receive the attached schedule of planning decisions submitted by North East Derbyshire District Council for information.

6. **Youth Matters**

To consider any items raised by Councillors concerning Youth Matters.

7. **Outside Services Report (Appendix 3)**

To consider the written report submitted by the Outside Services Foreman

8. **Meeting Reports (Appendix 4)**

To receive the meeting reports on various matters:-

8.1 Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group meeting held on 18th January 2017

8.2 Properties Advisory Committee Meeting held on 19th January 2017
and 6th February 2017 (to follow)

8.3 Gala Meeting held on 24th January 2017

8.4 Civic Service Meeting held on 25th January 2017

8.5 Budget Advisory Committee 2nd February 2017 (to follow)

9. **Budget 2016/17 (To follow)**

To consider the budget and set the precept for 2016/17.

10. **Town Clerk's Report (Appendix 5)**

To consider the written report submitted by the Town Clerk

11. **Financial Report (Appendix 6)**

11.1 Schedule of Payments for December 2016

11.2 Schedule of Receipts for December 2016

11.3 Bank Reconciliation at 31st December 2016

11.4 Income and Expenditure to 31st December 2016

12 **Motion – Lea Road Ramp**

That the Council write to Derbyshire County Council requesting assurance of a Health and Safety risk assessment for repair of the ramp down from Lea Road to Sheffield Road.

It is a concern that the scheduled works for the replacement of the foot ramp access to Sheffield Road, being undertaken will extend into school term. At the time of closure children walking to school from the Lea Road direction will take the alternative route and divert through onto the railway platform and over the bridge. In September when the work is scheduled to extend into the new School term there will be many new 11 year olds trying to get to school from the direction of Lea road. Our concern is for the safety of these young people while on the railway platform.

As part of the risk assessment covering the repair works, the Council would like to see that this risk has been assessed and effectively covered.

Proposed by Cllr. Tim Collins. Seconded by Cllr. Mark Foster

13. **Motion - Fracking**

That the Council write to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to inform them of the Council's opposition to the extraction of shale gas (fracking) in Dronfield and the surrounding area, as detailed in the council's submission to Derbyshire County Council as part of its consultation for the Derby and Derbyshire Local Mineral Plan. Dronfield Town Council considers that the detrimental effect on the community, and the negative impact in the infrastructure of a highly populated area, represents an unacceptable and hazardous risk.

The council would also inform them of the concerns raised with the Environment Agency about the lack of publicity for the consultation event in Dronfield requesting that future consultation events meet a minimum requirement to create awareness across a mix of different media (e.g. local press, radio, website, social media and posters/leaflets in public areas) in order to demonstrate that they have made every effort to reach the maximum number of residents.

Proposed by Cllr. A.Dale. Seconded by Cllr. A.Foster

14. **Motion – Boundary Commission**

That the Council write to the Boundary Commission in response to the consultation on local District boundary changes requesting that they respect and prioritise the integrity of the borders of Dronfield.

Dronfield Town has a strong identity both geographically and socially and the Town Council feel that this should be the starting point of any District boundary review. Dronfield is a strong, independent Town, a concept which residents have often expressed in order to prevent the diluting of their town boundaries and unique identity. We feel that best democratic representation of Dronfield residents would be achieved by securing those boundaries.

Proposed by Cllr. M.Foster. Seconded by Cllr. A. Hutchinson.

15. **Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

Council to note the following Circulars received from DALC (circulated):-

Circular 01/2017

Summary of important 2016 elements of circulars

Circular 02/2017

Subscription Charges 2017/2018 - Transparency Code for Smaller Local Councils
Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments (SAAA) for 2017/18 – 2021/22 returns
NALC New Year Message - HR Matters - Grants
How Elected Members can improve the Health of their Communities, 7 February 2017

16. **Exclusion of The Press And The Public**

To move the following resolution – That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.