

An invitation to the

72nd Annual Conference and AGM

Saturday 5 October 2019

10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

(Refreshments on arrival from 9:15 a.m.)

Moulton Community Centre, Sandy Hill, Reedings, Moulton, NN3 7AX

“Stronger Together”

The theme of this year’s AGM, “Stronger Together”, shows that parish and town councils are part of a countrywide network of councils, championing their communities and fighting hard to make life better for residents. An individual parish council is part of a very local network of councils, often with shared issues around transport or planning developments, but it is also part of a wider network in the principal council area, the county and even the country. Parish and town councils are stronger together, making their voices heard through an active County Association and onwards through the National Association to government.

Joining us this year will be **Sarah Mason** from the **Cornwall Association of Local Councils** who will talk on “*Life after Unitary Reorganisation – The Parish & Town Council Perspective*” and share her experiences of the last ten years since Cornwall went unitary in 2009. Cornwall is often held up as an example of successful working between the tiers of local government, so we are very much looking forward to hearing some top tips!

Our second speaker is **Dr Jonathan Owen**, Chief Executive of the **National Association of Local Councils**. With all that’s happening in national government it is an ideal opportunity to hear from Jonathan about the outlook for parish and town councils and what the future might hold in terms of devolution, referendum principles, and capacity building.

The meeting will also conduct the business of the AGM, including appointing the board of directors for the ensuing year, setting the 2020/21 membership fees and debating any motions submitted by member councils.

Parish and town councils and parish meetings in membership may send as many delegates to the Conference & AGM as they wish, although only one of the delegates is entitled to vote at the AGM. Please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8X7Q6MG> by **5:00 p.m. on Monday 23 September 2019** to book your places.

Please note that there is **no charge for this event.*