

Minutes of a West Bedlington Town Council Services Committee Meeting held on Thursday 24th August 2017 at 6.30 pm at Bedlington Community Centre, Bedlington.



**WEST BEDLINGTON
TOWN COUNCIL**

ATTENDANCE:

Councillors Present: M Trimming (Chair), D Graham, P Hedley, C Henderson, A Hogg, C Taylor, V Thompson.

Councillors Not Present: K Roach.

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk Steven Young and 1 (one) members of the public.

S109/17 - 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received for this meeting from Councillor Roach.

Resolved to note the apologies for absence received.

S110/17 - 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Resolved that the minutes of the Services Committee meeting held on 27th July 2017 are approved.

S111/17 - 3. MATTERS ARISING

Councillor Taylor in respect of Min S098/17 (2) Bedlington War Memorial – informed the Committee that all 4 Bedlington County Council Councillors had agreed to contribute financially to the project and that thanks to all 4 County Councillors should be noted within the meeting minutes.

S112/17 - 4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interest for this meeting.

S113/17 - 5. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / DECISION.

- a. **RESOLVED to accept the quote from DM Fencing for the remedial repairs at Meadowdale and Westlea play areas.**
- b. **RESOLVED to approve the payment of the Insurance renewal premium for Buildings and Trustees Insurance.**

S114/17. - 6. ALLOTMENTS

The Solicitor is awaiting I.D Information from the Allotment Associations to complete the registration of the leases.

S115/17 - 7. BUS SHELTERS

Councillor Taylor informed the Committee that the graffiti had been removed by Northumberland County Council as requested.

S116/17 - 8. PUBLIC SEATS

No further update in relation to public seats.

S117/17 - 9. LITTER BINS

Councillor Thompson asked if an additional recycle bin could be provided by The County Council at the recycle point to accommodate the discarded containers used to carry glass for recycling etc to the recycle point. Councillor Thompson noted that the litter bin at Humford Mill Country Park was continually overflowing with rubbish.

The Clerk will contact Northumberland County Council in relation to both issues.

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S118/17 - 10. PLAY AREAS

No further update in relation to play areas.

S0119/17 - 11. ENVIROMENTAL

Councillor Thompson commented that banners continued to be on display from the railings at The Red Lion Roundabout.

Councillor Hedley commented that cut grass had been left on the footpaths across the 20 Acre Field.

The Clerk will contact Northumberland County Council in relation to both issues.

S120/17 - 12. PLANNING

Applications Received for comment by the Council.

Ref.	Description	Response Due
17/02617/FUL	Proposed internal remodel of existing private residence, formation of new external stepped patio area and part conversion of existing garage to form home office. Location 2 West Farm Steadings Access Road From A192 Station Road To West Farm Nedderton Village NE22 6AR	24th August 2017

Other Applications / Consultations

Ref.	Description	Response Due
17/02643/DEMGDO	Demolition of existing nursery behind Bedlington West End First School	NA

RESOLVED not to comment on any of these planning applications.

Any applications / Consultations received after the issue date of this agenda, where the expiry date for observations would not allow the Council to wait to consider and submit any observations at its next scheduled meeting.

Notice of Strategic Planning Committee in respect of Application 16/04731/OUT - Construction of approximately 500 new dwellings with associated infrastructure and landscaping, all matters reserved except access. Location Land South West Of Glebe Farm Choppington Road Bedlington Northumberland.

RESOLVED that Councillor Hogg will be The Council's representative at the Strategic Planning Committee meeting at 6pm on 5th September 2017.

S121/17 – 13. PUBLIC SUN DIAL

No further update in relation to the ongoing Public Sun Dial project.

S122/17 – 14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Graham – Remembrance Day arrangements - The Clerk advised he would add this to the next full Council agenda.

Councillor Hogg – Financial contribution towards a suitable memorial bench / tree for the late Emma Evans. The Clerk advised for information that the agenda for the next Services Committee meeting would be posted slightly later than normal and was scheduled to be posted on 21st September 2017.

The Clerk reminded members of the forthcoming Tour of Britain Cycle race and that bunting was available to decorate some of the Bedlington through route.

S123/17 – 15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Services Committee will be held on Thursday 28th September 2017 at 6.30pm in Bedlington Community Centre.

CLOSE OF MEETING 7.20pm.

Approved by the Chair

Date

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