

To: **ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

You are hereby summonsed to attend the meeting of **WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL** to be held at **Bedlington Community Centre**, Front Street West, Bedlington. On Thursday 9th November 2017 at 6.30pm

The agenda for the meeting is set out below.  
Steven Young - Town Clerk  
1st November 2017



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**PRESENTATIONS**

An invitation to present has been sent to Leading Link in respect of their funding application (Agenda Item 14).

**QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL**

- The Chair will invite members of the public present to put questions and bring matters to the attention of the Council.
- This question time will last for a period of up to 15 minutes overall (which may be extended if the Chairman deems it necessary)
- In order to give every member of the public a fair chance of asking a question, the number of questions asked by any individual person may be limited at the Chair's discretion. The above covers both verbal and written submissions.
- Any member of the public who speaks should first state their name and address.

***Please note that Members of the Public are not permitted to speak after question time is completed.***

**1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence from Councillors.

**2) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS**

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the West Bedlington Town Council meeting held on 12th October 2017.

**3) MATTERS ARISING**

To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not included as agenda items.

**4) DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest, (which includes any disclosable pecuniary interest), they may have in any of the items included on the agenda for the meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on 12th July 2012. Members are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room.  
Any member needing clarification should contact the Town Clerk.

**5) CHAIRS UPDATE**

The Chair will make any relevant announcements and provide updates to the members.

**6) COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATES**

Any announcements or updates from Northumberland County Council Councillors.

**7) COMMITTEE / WORKING GROUPS –**

- I. Finance and Governance Working Group** - Update from the group Chair – Councillor Taylor.
- II. Events and Communications Working Group** - Update from the group Chair – Councillor Graham
- III. Services Committee** - Update from the Committee Chair – Councillor Trimming (Draft minutes of meeting 26th November 2017 circulated to members).
- IV. Operative / Handyman Project Working Group** – Update from the group Chair – Councillor Roach (Project charter distributed to members).

## 8) MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / DECISION

- a. **Consultation Response.** The Council are requested to discuss and decide if it would like to submit an expression of interest to discuss in further detail Northumberland County Councils proposal around a new partnership for Bus Information with Town and Parish Councils. (Letter distributed to members).
- b. **Trotter Memorial.** The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a proposal to end the project to look at the possibility of relocating the Trotter Memorial (Minute C135/17). Councillor Taylor.
- c. **Trotter Memorial.** The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a proposal to erect “ornamental” railing around the Trotter Memorial. Councillor Taylor.
- d. **Operative / Handyman Project Working Group.** The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a recommendation from The Operative / Handyman Working Group to defer the project for the foreseeable future – Councillor Roach.
- e. **Events.** The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a proposal to support Northumberland Day 2018 - Councillor Taylor.
- f. **Events.** The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a request from a resident for the provision of an annual firework display. (Copy of request distributed).
- g. **Annual Meeting of the Town.** The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a date and format for the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Town. The Clerk has made a recommendation of Wednesday 30th May 2018 for a date of the meeting.

## 9) CORRESPONDENCE.

The Council are requested to accept all correspondence, consultations and invitations and the actions noted shown in **Appendix A**.

## 10) COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVES ON EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

Feedback from Councillor Representatives on External Committees - Standing item if anything needs to be reported. Written reports please.

### I. Reports from Councillor Representatives

- a. Town / Parish Liaison Committee - Councillor Taylor.
- b. NALC – Councillor Hogg.
- c. COSH (Previously LMAPS) – Councillor Hedley.
- d. Gallagher Park Steering group – Councillor Graham.
- e. Dr Pitt Stakeholders meeting – Councillor Trimming.
- f. Humford Dam Residents Group – Councillor Hogg.

### II. Election of Councillor Representative to Bedlington in Bloom residents group.

The Council are requested to elect a member to represent the Council at Bedlington in Bloom resident group meetings.

## 11) CLERK'S REPORT

The Council are requested to approve the Clerks Report **Appendix B**.

## 12) SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS

The Council are requested to approve the schedule of payments and (receipts) shown in **Appendix C**.

## 13) PLANNING

The Council are asked to discuss and decide if it wishes to make any comments in relation to the Planning applications received for comment shown in **Appendix D**.

(Note: recent notified planning decisions are shown in Appendix E for information only).

## 14) COMMUNITY CHEST / PUPILS FUND / FUNDING APPLICATIONS AND REQUESTS

- The Council are requested to consider and decide upon a funding application from Leading Link Bedlington.
- The Council are requested to consider and decide upon a donation request from Community Action Northumberland.
- The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a request from “Contact” to provide an annual subsidy.

**15) RESIDENTS NEWSLETTER**

Any updates in relation to the publication and distribution of the Councils resident's newsletter.

**16) ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Advance notice of items to be brought forward to the next meeting of the Council.

Clerk – Receive Update re Sports Centre.

Clerk – Invitation to Northumbria Police re Policing in Bedlington.

**17) DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Council will be on Thursday 14th December 2017 at 6.30pm in Bedlington Community Centre.

**18) CLOSE OF MEETING****WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS:**

David Graham, Paul Hedley, Cath Henderson, Adam Hogg, Kathleen Roach,

Christine Taylor, Victoria Thompson, Mike Trimming, Jim Tyler.

**Appendix A, B, C and D Form Part of this Agenda****Appendix A – Correspondence, Consultations and Invitations. (Agenda Item 9).****a. Correspondence**

Ref	From	Summary	Action
299/17	Friends of Union Bridge	On Line Survey	Noted and Circulated
300/17	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	My Street App Launch	Noted and Circulated
301/17	Northumberland County Council	Street Lighting Modernisation Project Update	Noted and Circulated
302/17	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	Witness Appeal request	Noted and Circulated
303/17	Bedlington Forum	Notice of Meeting 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 2017	Noted and Circulated
304/17	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	Hate Crime Event	Noted and Circulated
305/17	NALC	NALC Enews 10 Oct 2017	Noted and Circulated
306/17	NALC	Slides From NALC AGM 7 Oct 2017	Noted and Circulated
307/17	NALC	Transparency Fund Drop In	Noted and Circulated
308/17	NALC	Nalc Meeting with NCC Planners	Noted and Circulated
309/17	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	Scam Alert	Noted and Circulated
310/17	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	Uninsured Drivers	Noted and Circulated
311/17	Bedlington Forum	Meeting Agenda 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 2017	Noted and Circulated
312/17	Northumberland VCS	SE Northumberland Network Meeting Dates	Noted and Circulated
313/17	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	Missing Person Request	Noted and Circulated
314/17	Northumberland County Council	TTRO 192683 Barrington Road Bedlington	Noted and Circulated
315/17	NALC	NALC Enews 17 Oct 2017	Noted and Circulated
316/17	NALC	Draft AGM Minutes	Noted and Circulated
317/17	Northumberland County Council	Planning Objection Response	Noted and Circulated
318/17	Northumberland CVA	e-bulletin – Issue 86	Noted and Circulated
319/17	Northumberland County Council	Northumberland Area Special Educational Needs School Place Planning Strategy	Noted and Circulated
320/17	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	Clean Sweep For 12 Streets Crime Operation	Noted and Circulated
321/17	NALC	NALC Enews 24 Oct 2017	Noted and Circulated
322/17	NALC	Planning Training Newcastle and Northumberland	Noted and Circulated

323/17	Northumberland County Council	Neighbourhood Planning Newsletter Oct 2017	Noted and Circulated
324/17	The Pensions Regulator	Increase In Minimum Pension Contributions	Noted and Circulated
325/17	Mr K Dalton	Copy of letter to Chief Fire Officer	Noted and Circulated
326/17	Northumberland County Council	Nedderton Traffic Survey	Noted and Circulated
327/17	Northumberland County Council	Parish and Town Council Election Costs	Noted and Circulated
328/17	NALC	Precept Capping Update	Noted and Circulated
329/17	Northumberland County Council	TTRO Bedlington Remembrance Parade 2017	Noted and Circulated

**b. Consultations.**

Owner	Description	Where and When
Northumberland County Council	New partnership for Bus Information with Town and Parish Councils.	Expression of interest – no time scale

**c. Invitations.**

Date	From	Description	Comments
28 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017	Morpeth Cage Bird Society	Invite to present prizes	Invite to Mayor
24 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017	Bedlington In Bloom	Presentation Evening	Invite To All
17 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017	Northumbria Police – Your Northumbria	Hate Crime Event	Invite To All
20 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017	Northumberland CVA	AGM	Invite to Chair

**Appendix B - Clerks Report (Agenda Item 11).** No report at this time – an update may be given at the meeting.

**Appendix C – Schedule of Payments and Receipts (Agenda Item 13) Payment 1st October 2017 to 31st October 2017.**

**All payment GROSS of VAT.**

Payee	Amount	BCC	Bloom	Dr Pit	Description
Bedlington Boxing Club	500.00				Community Chest Award
DL Maintenance & Repair	277.50				Bus Shelter Repairs
Northumberland County Council	(8,088.00)				Contribution Towards War Memorial
Talk Talk Business	34.74				Telephone + Internet
Northumberland County Council	240.00				Grass Cutting
MW Design	1,675.00				Residents Newsletter Print + Design
Michael Wood Design Limited	40.00				Halloween Posters
Peeks the event makers	106.92				Halloween Event Props
Azure Garden Centre			502.70		Plants
Barchester Healthcare				(740.00)	Contribution Towards Tree Felling Cost
West End First School	1,500.00				Pupils Fund Award
DL Maintenance & Repair	197.50				Repair Costs - Bus Shelters + Bins
Viking Payments	19.24				Stationary
Bedlington Community Centre	3,750.00				Rent 1 <sup>st</sup> Half Year
Vets4Pets	(250.00)				Advertisement Cost Fee
R Watson Newsagents	65.30				Newspapers for Public Library
Northumberland County Council	(1,000.00))				Contribution Towards Planters
Mick Whitfield Building Services	78.00				Play Area + Litter Bin Repairs
Northumberland County Council	2,723.01				Payroll Costs
Home Bargains TJ Morris Limited	192.24				Christmas Event Giveaways

**Appendix D – Planning applications (Agenda Item 13)**

Applications Received for comment by the Council from the Planning Authority

Ref.	Description	Response Due
17/03777/LBC	Listed building consent for secondary double glazing to two existing sliding sash windows Location Plessey View The Hall Hartford Hall Estate Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6AG	13th November 2017
17/03832/OUT	Outline planning permission for the development of 1no. detached residential dwelling with all matters reserved. Location Land South East Of 1 The Croft The Croft Nedderton Village Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6BA	21st November 2017
17/03850/FUL	Bedroom and utility extension. Conversion of conservatory to sun room. Location 23 Chipchase Close Hazelmere Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6ND	21st November 2017

Other Applications.

Ref.	Description	Response Due
	None For This Meeting	

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. - None for this meeting.

**Appendix E - Planning decisions notified to WBTC by NCC - Information Only**

Ref.	Description	Decision
17/03113/FUL	Proposed detached garage Location 10 Brook Court Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5DF	GRANTED
17/03158/FELTPO	Tree Preservation Order: Fell 1 no. Oak tree (T23), Crown thin by 10% and Crown lift 1 no. Beech tree (T26), Crown lift 1 no. Wellingtonia tree (T28) and Crown lift 1 no. Cedar of Lebanon tree (T30) Location Greenside Fairway Rise Hartford Hall Estate Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6AG	GRANTED
17/03007/FELTPO	Tree Preservation Order application to fell T1 Horsechestnut. Location 4 The Croft Nedderton Village NE22 6BA	GRANTED
17/02815/CCD	Proposed new early years centre including associated hard and soft landscaping Location Bedlington West End Nursery Ridge Terrace Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6EB	GRANTED
17/03463/VARYCO	Variation of condition 2 (time constraint) pursuant to planning permission 16/02623/FUL in order to change the opening and closing times for shutters. Location Astons Late Bar 34 Front Street West Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5UB	GRANTED