

Minutes of a West Bedlington Town Council Services Committee Meeting held on Thursday 23rd August 2018 at 6.00 pm at Bedlington Community Centre, Bedlington.



**WEST BEDLINGTON
TOWN COUNCIL**

ATTENDANCE:

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

Councillors Not Present: C Taylor, V Thompson.

ALSO PRESENT: Three (3) members of the public.

S125/18 – 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence for this meeting were received from Councillors Taylor and Thompson.

Resolved that the apologies for absence received are noted.

S126/18 - 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Resolved that the minutes of the Services Committee meeting held on 26th July 2018 are approved as a true record of the meeting.

S127/18 - 3. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the Services Committee meeting held on 26th July 2018.

S128/18 - 4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interest for this meeting.

S129/18 - 5. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / DECISION.

- a. **RESOLVED to provide a replacement litter bin to replace the damaged litter bin on the “Black Path” public footpath at Northumberland Avenue, Bedlington.** The Clerk will initially try to source an under used existing bin ahead of purchasing any new bins.
- b. **RESOLVED to ACCEPT a quote (£460) for the relocation of public seats and litter bins from Attlee Park footpath to new locations as previously resolved.**
- c. **RESOLVED to ACCEPT a quote (£1595) for the supply and installation of a 30ft Christmas tree for the 2018 festive season.**

S130/18 - 6. BUS SHELTERS

The Clerk has arranged for the replacement of the broken panel in the bus shelter on North Ridge, Bedlington.

S131/18 - 7. PUBLIC SEATS

The Clerk confirmed that the Council has received permission from the copyright holder to allow a graphic interpretation to be added to the Bedlington Terrier seat on North Ridge, Bedlington.

S132/18 - 8. LITTER BINS

Councillor Graham reported that the litter bin at Hartford Crescent was not being emptied.

The Clerk will report this to Northumberland County Council.

Councillor Hedley reported that the bin at Shields Road, Hartford Bridge had been displaced.

Councillor Hedley offered to refit the bin himself and The Committee accepted his offer with their thanks.

Chairman's initials

S133/18 – 9. PLAY AREAS

Councillor Henderson asked about the possibility of imposing an age restriction for the users of its play areas. It was agreed that the imposition of an appropriate By – Law would be impractical and difficult to enforce. Councillor Henderson also advised of an improvement to the weekend Meadowdale gate opening arrangements.

Councillor Graham had observed blue colouring from the soft pour surface on clothes. The Clerk will check with the supplier for any other instances and guarantee's etc.

S134/18 - 10. ENVIROMENTAL

Councillor Hogg advised The Committee of damage to the open grassed area at Cumberland / Westmoreland Avenues due to indiscriminate parking.

After discussion The Committee were of the opinion that the matter should be dealt with by The County Council.

S135/18 - 11. PLANNING

Applications Received for comment by the Council.

Ref.	Description	Response Due	Decision
18/02696/FUL	3ft high metal fence on the boundary I have chosen a fence height that allows clear vision up and down the street from cars wishing to leave either drive. The end of the fence will stop 0.9 m from the footpath and 2.85 m from the estate road, again I have chosen to stop the fence here to allow clear vision up and down the street for passing traffic. I have discussed the proposal with my neighbour and he is in agreement with the addition of the fence. Location 8 Edinburgh Drive Hazelmere Bedlington NE22 6NY	23rd August 2018	No Comment
18/02712/FUL	Rear ground floor extension to kitchen and dining room and sun lounge Location 16 Barley Grove Broadoaks Bedlington NE22 6BT	24th August 2018	No Comment

Other Applications / Consultations. – None for this meeting

Ref.	Description	Response Due	Decision
18/02783/DISCON	Discharge of Conditions 11 (Lighting) 12 (Footways) 13 (Highways) 17 (Open space) on approved planning applications (14/01656/FUL) 17/03689/VARYCO Land West Of North Ridge Netherton Lane Bedlington Northumberland	NA	NA For Info Only

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.

Ref.	Description	Response Due	Decision
18/01658/REM	Reserved matters application for approval of details of Access, Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale in respect of Phase B and the Infrastructure and Access Phase of the development as shown on the phasing plan. Location Car Park Vulcan Place Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5DN	Strategic Planning Committee - Council Chamber, County Hall, Morpeth, NE61 2EF at 4pm on 4 September 2018. by the deadline of 12noon the (working) day before the committee meeting.	No representation at Planning Meeting from West Bedlington Town Council.

RESOLVED – as per entries in decisions column above.

S136/18 – 12. PUBLIC SUN DIAL

The Clerk confirmed that the revised planning application had been submitted.

S137/18 – 13. SPEED REDUCTION SIGNS

The Clerk confirmed that new white lining and red slow road markings were scheduled to be carried out in the Chairman's initials

week commencing 20th August 2018.

Councillor Hogg asked if the Committee could revisit the provision of maintenance contracts for the speed reduction signs at Hartford Bridge village and Bedlingtonshire Golf Club.

The Clerk will add the item to the next scheduled Services Committee meeting.

S138/18 – 14. SCHOOL ART IN BUS SHELTERS

No further update for this meeting.

S139/18 – 15. CCTV

Councillor Hogg asked if initial informal discussions with potential suppliers could be arranged to start the project off.

The Clerk will contact potential suppliers to invite them to initial informal meetings.

S140/18 – 16. BUS TIMETABLE REPLACEMENTS

RESOLVED to remove this item from future meetings until contacted by Northumberland County Council.

S141/18 – 17. SKATE PARK

RESOLVED to use the next edition of the Residents newsletter to seek informal consultation about the possibility of a Skate Park in the parish.

S142/18 – 18. NEW BUS SHELTERS – SCHAULKSMUHLE ROAD

The Clerk advised that an installation date of Tuesday 28th August 2018 had been arranged for the installation of the two new shelters.

S143/18 – 19. NEW LAMPOST PAINTING PROJECT

No further update for this meeting.

S144/18 – 20. WAR MEMORIAL UPLIGHTS AND FLAGPOLE

Councillor Hogg is waiting on replies to his enquiries in relation to this item.

S145/18 – 21. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Invitation to attend East Bedlington Parish Council to attend the opening of the tenders for 2019 Gallagher Park Music Event and to participate in the evaluation process.

RESOLVED to send a Councillor Representative to the tender opening (to act as an independent observer) but not to take part in the evaluation process. The Councillor Representative will be chosen subject to Councillors availability once the time of the event is known.

The Clerk will reply positively to the invitation and request the time of the event.

S146/18 – 22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Services Committee is to be held on Thursday 27th September 2018 at 6.00pm in Bedlington Community Centre.

S147/18 – 23. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting was formally closed by the Chair at 7.10pm.

Approved by the Chair

Date 27th September 2018

Chairman's initials