



On Thursday 8th December 2022 at 6.30pm.

PRESENTATIONS.

- There were no presentations for this meeting. Apologies received from Northumbria Police.

QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- A resident expressed their thanks to the Town Council for its involvement in helping to bring about a continuation of the annual "Bedlington Santa Sleigh" provided by Stead Lane PTA (when free gifts are distributed to children throughout the town).

PART A - ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

Min Ref		Attendance / Apologies and Declarations of Interests.	Determination
22/178		In Attendance	Councillors Crosby, Reed, D Wallace, and R Wallace (Chair). Town Clerk Steven Young, and 2 (Two) members of the public.
22/179	a.	Apologies for Absence. i. To receive and note any apologies for absence from Councillors ii. To consider and determine any dispensations for absent Councillors.	i. Apologies for absence, from Councillors Hedley, Hogg, Taylor, Thompson, and Todd were NOTED . ii. There were no dispensations for absence for this meeting.
22/180	b.	Declaration of Interests. i. 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. ii. To consider any requests for dispensations.	i. Councillor R Wallace made a declaration of interest in relation to Agenda item Part B 2a 1. Funding of Bedlington Food Banks - Review. The Matthew Project (Councillor Crosby to take the Chair for that agenda item). ii. No dispensations for this meeting.

PART B – MATTERS FOR DECISION

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS / SUMMARY OF DELEGATED DECISIONS

		Details of Meeting or Delegated Decisions	Determination
22/181	a.	To agree and sign as a correct record the minutes of West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held on 13th October 2022.	RESOLVED that the minutes of the West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held on 13th October 2022 are APPROVED as a true record.
22/182	b.	To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not included as agenda items.	There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting held on 13th October 2022.

2. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / DECISION

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22/183	a.	<p>Funding of Bedlington Food Banks - Review.</p> <p>1. The Council are requested to discuss, review, and decide upon any financial support to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Bedlington Salvation Army. ii. Bedlington Matthew Project. iii. Wansbeck Valley Food Bank. <p>2. The Council are requested to discuss and determine next review dates for the funding of Food Banks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Bedlington Salvation Army. ii. Bedlington Matthew Project. iii. Wansbeck Valley Food Bank. <p>Any approved funding would be in respect of a \$137 payment</p>	<p>1. RESOLVED to set aside a £500 donation for each of the 3 food banks for December 2022 – to be released upon receipt of an individual request from each food bank.</p> <p>2. RESOLVED to review on-going donations at the next scheduled meeting and request an update from each of the food banks receiving donations ahead of the meeting.</p>
22/184	b.	<p>Internal Audit Report</p> <p>The Council are asked to NOTE the Internal Audit Report (19th October 2022). Report distributed to members.</p>	The Internal Audit Report (October 2022) was NOTED .
22/185	c.	<p>CCTV Provision.</p> <p>The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a request from Northumbria Police to relocate one of the existing CCTV cameras to a location near Woolsingham Court, Bedlington. Request distributed to members.</p>	Request WITHDRAWN by Northumbria Police.
22/186	d.	<p>Town and Parish Council Conference.</p> <p>The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon 2 (two) delegates to represent The Town Council at the Town and Parish Conference (Monday 16th January 2023, St James Church Centre, Alnwick Monday 23rd January 2023, County Hall, Morpeth Tuesday 24th January 2023, The Mart, Hexham2023) all at 6.30pm</p>	RESOLVED Councillor R Wallace to attend Conference on 23 rd Jan 2023. One additional place to be available to one other Councillor who wishes to attend – Clerk to coordinate.
22/187	e.	<p>External Meetings.</p> <p>To receive feedback from Councillors from any external meetings since the date of the last Council meeting.</p>	No external meetings to report upon.
22/188	f.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Services Committee.</p> <p>The Working Group Chair (Councillor Hogg) will provide a verbal report of the meeting decisions.</p>	No update for this meeting.
22/189	g.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Governance and Staffing Working Group.</p> <p>1. Recommendations from Working Group for decision by full Council. None for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Any Other Items from the Working Group Meeting (not for decision) – The Working Group Chair (Councillor Crosby) will feedback to the Council any other items discussed, any ongoing and future matters been worked upon by the working group.</p>	<p>1. No recommendations for this meeting.</p> <p>2. No update for this meeting.</p>
22/190	h.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Events Working Group</p> <p>1. Recommendations from Working Group for decision by full Council. None for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Any Other Items from the Working Group Meeting (not for decision) - The Working Group Chair (Councillor Reed) will feedback to the Council any other items discussed, any ongoing and future matters been worked upon by the working group.</p>	<p>1. No recommendations for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Councillor Reed provided some feedback in relation to the very successful Christmas Lights Switch On Event.</p>

22/191	i.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Communications Working Group</p> <p>1. Recommendations from Working Group for decision by full Council. None for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Any Other Items from the Working Group Meeting (not for decision). Chair (Councillor Reed) will feedback to the Council any other items discussed, any ongoing and future matters been worked upon by the working group.</p>	<p>1. No recommendations for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Working Group Chair Councillor Reed made an appeal to members to provide contributions for the next e-newsletter which will be a review of the year.</p>												
22/192	j.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Neighbourhood Plan Working Group</p> <p>1. Recommendations from Working Group for decision by full Council. None for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Any Other Items from the Working Group Meeting (not for decision) Chair (Councillor Hogg) will feedback to the Council any other items discussed, any ongoing and future matters been worked upon by the working group.</p>	<p>1. No recommendations for this meeting.</p> <p>2. No other update for this meeting.</p>												
22/193	k.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Finance Working Group</p> <p>1. Recommendations from Working Group for decision by full Council. None for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Any Other Items from the Working Group Meeting (not for decision) Chair (Councillor R Wallace) will feedback to the Council any other items discussed, any ongoing and future matters been worked upon by the working group.</p>	<p>1. No recommendations for this meeting.</p> <p>2. No other update for this meeting.</p>												
22/194	l.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Youth Support Programme Working Group</p> <p>1. Recommendations from Working Group for decision by full Council. None for this meeting.</p> <p>2. Any Other Items from the Working Group Meeting (not for decision) The Working Group (No Chair) will feedback to the Council any other items discussed, any ongoing and future matters been worked upon by the working group</p>	<p>1. No recommendations for this meeting.</p> <p>2. No other update for this meeting.</p>												
22/195	m.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Planning Working Group Planning Applications – Considered by Planning Working Group - Where Comments Have Been Requested.</p> <p>After considering any recommendation of its Planning Working Group, The Council are asked to discuss and decide if it wishes to make any comments in relation to the Planning applications received for comment.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="296 1406 1018 1966"> <thead> <tr> <th>Ref.</th> <th>Description</th> <th>Response Due Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>22/03529/FUL</td> <td>Internal alteration and minor single storey extensions to improve club facilities, internal reorganisation, new pro shop entrance and windows, new external golf buggy parking enclosure Location Bedlingtonshire Golf Club Hartford Road Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6AA</td> <td>9th Dec 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>22/03870/FUL</td> <td>Demolition of attached garage and construction of two storey side</td> <td>9th Dec 2022</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Ref.	Description	Response Due Date	22/03529/FUL	Internal alteration and minor single storey extensions to improve club facilities, internal reorganisation, new pro shop entrance and windows, new external golf buggy parking enclosure Location Bedlingtonshire Golf Club Hartford Road Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6AA	9 th Dec 2022	22/03870/FUL	Demolition of attached garage and construction of two storey side	9 th Dec 2022	<table border="1" data-bbox="1050 1406 1528 1966"> <thead> <tr> <th>Determination</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>No Comment</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No Comment</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Determination	No Comment	No Comment
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		extension and single storey rear extension to dwelling Location 32 Windsor Gardens Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5SY		
Note: recent notified planning decisions and other planning applications (where comments have not been requested) are shown in PART C for information only).				

PART C – MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OR TO BE NOTED

Matters for Information or To Be Noted					
22/196		<p>RESOLVED to NOTE Section's a, b and c. Correspondence, Consultations and Invitations and the actions taken for each detailed below. Section d, Schedule of payments and receipts Section e, Other planning applications Note section f is not part of the agenda and is included for information only.</p>			
	a.	Correspondence.			
		Ref	From	Brief Description	Action Taken
		436	Northumbria Police	Request to NCC for additional parking bollards in Bedlington Market Place	Noted + Circulated
		437	Matthew Project	Thanks for Food Bank Donation Offer	Noted + Circulated
		438	Tolent Construction	Bedlington Market Place	Noted + Circulated
		439	Northumberland County Council	Cost of living support	Noted + Circulated
		440	Northumberland County Council	Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley LAC - 19 October	Noted + Circulated
		441	Northumberland County Council	Bedlington Whitley First School 20mph Scheme reply to enquiry	Noted + Circulated
		442	Northumberland County Council	Advertising for the Bedlington Showcase Events	Noted + Circulated
		443	Northumberland Rivers Trust	Works with local youth groups and communities along rivers in South Northumberland	Noted + Circulated
		444	Northumberland County Council	Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople Local Plan	Noted + Circulated
		445	Bright Red	Autumn Craft Event	Noted + Circulated
		446	Northumberland Line Project Team	Furnace Way Sidings Works, Bedlington from 17 October 2022	Noted + Circulated
		447	Northumberland County Council	Latest Northumberland News and Jobs October 14, 2022	Noted + Circulated
		448	Community Action Northumberland	Enews 14 October 2022	Noted + Circulated
		449	NALC	ENews 14 October 2022	Noted + Circulated
		450	Wansbeck Valley Food Bank	Note of Thanks for Funding Donation	Noted + Circulated
		451	Northumberland County Council	Town, Parish and Community Council Conferences	Noted + Circulated + Added to Agenda
		452	County Councillor Taylor	Copy letter and reply – parking on Front Street Bedlington	Noted + Circulated
		453	Bedlington Salvation Army	Note of Thanks for Funding Donation	Noted + Circulated
		454	SENUG	Public Meeting & Other News	Noted + Circulated
		455	Northumberland County Council	Latest Northumberland News and Jobs October 21, 2022	Noted + Circulated
		456	NALC	Friday 21st October NALC ENews	Noted + Circulated
		457	Northumberland County Council	iNorthumberland Digital Digest Autumn 2022	Noted + Circulated

458	Mathew Project	Acceptance and Thanks for Funding Donation	Noted + Circulated
459	DAC Beachcroft LLP	Insurance Claim Enquiry	Noted + Circulated
460	SENUG	Cancellation of SENRUG Public Meeting on 1st November 2022	Noted + Circulated
461	Northumberland Line Project Team	Northumberland Line Newsletter - October 2022	Noted + Circulated
462	Community Action Northumberland	CAN Enews 28 October 2022	Noted + Circulated
463	Northumberland County Council	Latest Northumberland News and Jobs October 28, 2022	Noted + Circulated
464	Northumberland County Council	Licensing Consultation on review of Gambling Policy Statement of Principles and Street Trading policy 2022- Northumberland County Council	Noted + Circulated + Added to Agenda
465	Northumberland County Council	Latest Northumberland News and Jobs November 4, 2022	Noted + Circulated
466	SENUG	Next SENRUG Public Meeting - Monday 21st November 2022	Noted + Circulated
467	Bedlington Singers	Bedlington Singers Concert	Noted + Circulated
468	Northumbria Police	CCTV request	Noted + Circulated + Added to Agenda
469	Northumberland County Council	Latest Northumberland News and Jobs November 11, 2022	Noted + Circulated
470	Leader Northumberland County Council	Update on Recycling/Invitation to visit our Recycling Plant at West Sleekburn	Noted + Circulated
471	NALC	NALC Enews 11th November 2022	Noted + Circulated
472	University of Northumbria	Help with green belt research	Noted + Circulated
473	Rural Market Towns Group	Member Survey	Noted + Circulated
474	Northumberland County Council	Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley LAC - 23 November	Noted + Circulated
475	Northumberland County Council	Community Preparedness	Noted + Circulated
476	Northumberland County Council	Latest Northumberland News and Jobs November 25, 2022	Noted + Circulated
477	Planning Northumberland County Council	22/04060/FUL Land SW of 21 Front Street East, Bedlington – Invalid Notice	Noted + Circulated
478	Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments Ltd	Notification of external auditor appointment for the 2022-23 financial year for the 5 year period until 2026-27	Noted + Circulated
479	Bedlington Resident	Copy of letter to County Councillor Taylor seeking support in opposition to planning application - Land South West of 21 Front Street East, Bedlington, Northumberland...	Noted + Circulated
480	Community Action Northumberland	CAN Enews special: Recruiting a Warm Hubs Coordinator	Noted + Circulated
481	Northumberland Line Project Team	Northumberland Line - November 2022 Newsletter	Noted + Circulated

b.	Consultations.		
	From	Description	Details
	Northumberland County Council	Licensing Consultation on review of Gambling Policy Statement of Principles and Street Trading policy 2022- Northumberland County Council	Any response by 23 rd January 2023 RESOLVED – No Comments

	Northumberland County Council.	Public Spaces Protection Order for the Control of Dogs – Extension of Period.	Any response by 9 th December 2022 RESOLVED – No Comments
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c.	Invitations.		
	From	Event	Response Details
	Imaginatives Group	Talk on Sustainable Growth Opportunities	Professor Harry Bradbury 1400 Monday 7 th November 2022 Muckle LLP, Time Central, 32 Gallowgate, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4BF
Northumbria Police	Woolsington Court Meeting	Coun Thompson to attend on behalf of Town Council	

d.	Schedule of Payments and Receipts.			
	Details of payments and (receipts) to be noted since last Council update. All payments gross of VAT.			
	Payee	Amount £. p	Description	Notes
	Malcolm Wilkinson	95.00	Internal Audit Fee	
	Google One Drive	15.99	Annual Subscription	
	Broxap Limited	125.70	Lathes for Bench	
	Bedlington Salvation Army	500.00	Food Bank Donation	S137
	Wansbeck Valley Food Bank	500.00	Food Bank Donation	S137
	Robert L Eastway Springview PTY	2,385.00	Painting – Street Furniture	
	Harriet Louise Productions	500.00	Deposit - Pantomime	
	Gallagher Insurance	2,752.52	Annual Insurance Premium	
	D&M Fencing Ltd	648.00	Play Area Repairs	
	Reay Security Limited	83.04	CCTV Charges	
	GoCableTies Ltd	22.99	Cable Ties	
	Midland Flags	52.74	Halloween Bunting	
	Amazon	18.76	Halloween Trophy	
	Amazon	9.98	Halloween Medals	
	Blyth Bespoke Fabrication	4,500.00	Litter Bin Refurbishment Costs	
	Talk Talk Business	48.54	Telephone + Internet	
	Haggs-Smp Ltd	326.88	Replacement Swing	
	Wansbeck Valley Food Bank	1,000.00	Food Bank Donation	S137
	F&F Stores Ltd	31.46	Halloween Prizes	
	Baker Ross	97.37	Halloween Prizes	
	Marketplace Online	25.47	Halloween Prizes	
	Partyrama	42.95	Halloween Decorations	
	Amazon	68.50	Halloween Prizes	
	WANGTIANLEI-EU	4.73	Halloween Balloons	
	Reay Security Limited	83.04	CCTV Charges	
	Reay Security Limited	460.80	Play Area Security	
	Mint Management	4,860.00	Half Term Children's Activities	
	Bedlington Salvation Army	1,000.00	Food Bank Donation	S137
	Wireless Logic Limited	499.20	CCTV Sim Card Charges	
	Grays Café Bar Ltd	350.00	Halloween Food	
Matthew Project	1,000.00	Food Bank Donation	S137	
I Stage Group	3,900.00	Deposit Summer 2023 Music Event		
Malcolm Wilkinson	60.00	Internal Audit Fees		
Reay Security Limited	809.64	CCTV Charges		
Reay Security Limited	540.00	Play Area Security		
Robert L Eastway Springview PTY	3,590.00	Painting Street Furniture		

		Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	18.00	Contribution towards Poppy Wreaths	
		Bright Red Charity	850.00	Community Chest Payment	
		Bedlington Community Centre	1,286.25	Room Hire – Summer Children’s Activities	
	e.	Other Planning Applications Where comments have not been requested.			
		Ref.	Description		
		22/04292/DISCON	Discharge of conditions 3(Hedging or Other Planting), 5(Arbicultural Method Statement), 9(Construction Method Statement and Plan), 11(Samples of the materials), 16(full engineering, drainage, street lighting and constructional details) and 21(pedestrian links) on approved application 21/04298/REM. Land South West Of Glebe Farm Choppington Road Bedlington Northumberland		
		22/04313/DISCON	Discharge of condition 5(External Materials) on approved application 21/00460/LBC. The Beeches Church Lane Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5EL		
	f.	Planning decisions notified to West Bedlington Town Council by Northumberland County Council.			
		Ref.	Description	Decision	
		21/04371/FUL	Retrospective: Installation of a roller shutter Location Barracuda Vape Front Of 16A Front Street West Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5UB	REFUSED	
		22/02828/FUL	Single storey front extension Location 55 Westlea Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6DY	GRANTED	
		21/04298/REM	Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for final phases of development comprising of 315 dwellings on approved application 16/04731/OUT Location Land South West Of Glebe Farm Choppington Road Bedlington Northumberland	GRANTED	
		22/01082/RENE	Construction of a solar farm together with all associated works, equipment and necessary infrastructure. Location Land East Of Burnt House Farm Netherton Road Bedlington Northumberland	GRANTED	
		22/02278/FELTPO	Tree Preservation Order Application - TP67 - Beech - Fell to ground level and grind out stump (Amended) Location Dovecote House Farmstead Court Hartford Hall Estate Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6AG	PERMIT	
		22/03485/FUL	Proposed side extension, existing garage relocated and associated works. Location 13 Meadowdale Crescent Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6DW	GRANTED	
		22/03683/FUL	Single storey rear extension, extension to rear of existing garage and addition of porch to front elevation Location 22 Featherstone Grove Hazelmere Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6NU	GRANTED	
		22/03228/COU	Change of use from D2 and A3 to Sui Generis to operate as a vehicle repair garage and MOT station Location Unit 2 Vulcan Place Garage Vulcan Place Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5DL	GRANTED	
		22/02072/FUL	Construction of replacement porch to the front elevation Location 12 Lanchester Green The Chesters Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6JP	GRANTED	
22/197	g.	Police Report. No report for this meeting. The next scheduled regular report is for January 2023 meeting.			
22/198	h.	Financial Update / Bank Reconciliation.			
		Bank Reconciliation I. The Council are asked to note a checked bank reconciliation of £344,123.91 as of 30th November 2022 and a Deposit Account Balance of £100,479.35 as of 30th November 2022. Note re Bank Reconciliation– In accordance with The Councils Internal Controls Councillor Todd as the nominated member has independently verified the monthly bank reconciliation.		The Council NOTED the bank reconciliation.	

22/199	i.	Matters for Information Only	
		Any matters that members would like to bring to the attention of other members and residents. For Information only no proposals or voting on these matters.	
		Councillors	Nothing to report.
22/200	j.	Town Clerk	Planning Application 22/04452/FUL Bedlington Lane Farm Hartford Road Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6AA – response by 29 th December 2022 – any comments to Clerk without delay.
		Meeting Close and Date of Next Meeting. RESOLVED the next scheduled meeting of the Council will be on Thursday 12th January 2023 at 6.30pm in Bedlington Community Centre, Front Street West, Bedlington. The agenda for this meeting will be issued on Wednesday 4 th January 2023. The Chair closed the meeting at 6.43pm	

WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS:

Bill Crosby, Paul Hedley, Adam Hogg, Wendy Reed, Christine Taylor, Victoria Thompson, Jayne Todd, Di Wallace, and Russ Wallace.

Signed by Chair

Date