

Minutes of the West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held

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Meeting ID: 894 7141 2313 On Thursday 10th September 2020 at 6.30pm.



WEST BEDLINGTON
TOWN COUNCIL

QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- A resident asked about the use of CCTV by the local Police in relation to minor crimes. The Chair advised that she contact the local Police on the residents' behalf.
- A resident expressed his disappointment at the lack of information from Advance Northumberland and Northumberland County Council in relation to the ongoing Bedlington Town Centre development.

PART A - ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

Min Ref		Attendance / Apologies and Declarations of Interests.	Determination
VM 066		In Attendance	Councillors Crosby, Graham, Hedley, Henderson, Hogg, Taylor (Chair), Thompson and Trimming. Town Clerk Steven Young and 3 (Three) members of the public.
VM 067	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 were received and NOTED from Councillor Tyler. County Councillors Crosby, Robinson and Wallace submitted apologies for this meeting ii. Councillor Tyler was AWARDED A DISPENSATION for their absence from the meeting.
VM 068	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. There were no declarations of interest submitted for this meeting. ii. There were no dispensations to determine 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
VM 069	a.	To sign as a correct record the minutes of West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held on 13 th August 2020.	RESOLVED that the minutes of the West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held on 13 th August 2020 are approved as a true record.
VM 070	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 West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held on 13 th August 2020.

2. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / DECISION

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VM 071	a.	<p>Play Areas</p> <p>This matter was deferred from the meeting of 13th August 2020. The Council are requested to approve the purchase of Mini Goal Posts from the preferred supplier "Live4Soccer" at a cost of £520 plus delivery.</p>	<p>RESOLVED TO APPROVE the purchase of Mini Goal Posts from the preferred supplier "Live4Soccer" at a cost of £520 plus delivery.</p>
VM 072	b.	<p>Mobile Phone</p> <p>The Council are requested to approve the purchase of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Sim Free Mobile Handset - Cost no more than £30 II. Contract Free Sim Card – charges for outgoing calls / texts only. (Suggested supplier 1p Mobile - charges are 1p per min / 1p per text message with a requirement to make a £10 top up every 4 months.) 	<p>RESOLVED TO APPROVE the purchase of</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Sim Free Mobile Handset - Cost no more than £30 II. Contract Free Sim Card – charges for outgoing calls / texts only. (Suggested supplier 1p Mobile - charges are 1p per min / 1p per text message with a requirement to make a £10 top up every 4 months.)
VM 073	c.	<p>Attlee Park Path Improvements</p> <p>The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon quote(s) in relation to improvements to the path between Millfield and Attlee Park Car Park,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Quotes for scrub clearance and reconditioning of footpath (Quotes comparison distributed to members). II. Quote for annual maintenance – scrub clearance etc. III. Quote for remedial repair to public seat bases. <p>Quote for relocation of existing litter bins x 2 (to new positions on footpath away from public seats).</p>	<p>Chair left meeting due to power cut Deputy Chair Councillor Graham took the Chair</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. RESOLVED TO APPROVE quote from HFF Civil Engineering Ltd. ii. RESOLVED TO APPROVE quote from HFF Civil Engineering Ltd. iii. RESOLVED TO APPROVE quote from HFF Civil Engineering Ltd
VM 074	d.	<p>Litter Signs.</p> <p>This is a deferred item from the Council meeting of 9th July 2020.</p> <p>The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a proposal to purchase and install litter prevention signs. (Design and indicative printing costs distributed to members). Signs would require owner's permission if not installed upon West Bedlington Town Council asset and provision would need to be made for their installation.</p>	<p>Chair left meeting due to power cut Deputy Chair Councillor Graham took the Chair</p> <p>RESOLVED to APPROVE both the purchase and installation of 9 litter signs,</p>
VM 075	e.	<p>Funding of Bedlington Food Banks - Review.</p> <p>The Council are requested to discuss, review, and decide upon any future continued financial support to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Bedlington Salvation Army ii. Bedlington Matthew Project and iii. Wansbeck Valley Food Bank. 	<p>Chair left meeting due to power cut Deputy Chair Councillor Graham took the Chair</p> <p>RESOLVED to continue to provide financial support to all three (3) Bedlington Food Banks. Monthly payments of £1,000 to continue to be made. Payments must be used for the provision of food bank stock / services and continued support will be subject to a monthly review.</p>
VM 076	f.	<p>Local Transport Plan 2021/22</p> <p>The Council are requested to discuss and decide what are its top three highways and transport priority issues for its area, so that they can be considered for inclusion in the LTP Programme for 2021/22. This consultation is part of the annual review of LTP Priorities. (Details distributed to members) Deadline for a response is 11th October 2020.</p>	<p>Chair Councillor Taylor resumed in the Chair</p> <p>A decision on this item was DEFERRED to the next Council meeting.</p> <p>The Clerk was requested to invite Northumberland County Councils Highways officer to a meeting to discuss LTP options.</p>

VM 077	<p>g. Planning Applications – Where Comments Have Been Requested. 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> <p>Note: recent notified planning decisions and other planning applications (where comments have not been requested) are shown in PART C for information only).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="264 456 890 1173"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="264 456 456 524">Ref.</th> <th data-bbox="456 456 732 524">Description</th> <th data-bbox="732 456 890 524">Response Due Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="264 524 456 913">20/02481/FUL</td> <td data-bbox="456 524 732 913">Creation of enclosed roof terrace above existing single storey rear building with internal and external alterations. Location La Torre The Millfield Millfield Court Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5EN</td> <td data-bbox="732 524 890 913">15th September 2020.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="264 913 456 1173">20/02568/FUL</td> <td data-bbox="456 913 732 1173">Proposed addition of balcony upon rear elevation of Plots 4 & 6. Location Plots 4 And 6 Land North Of Quarry House Nedderton Village Northumberland</td> <td data-bbox="732 913 890 1173">24th September 2020</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Ref.	Description	Response Due Date	20/02481/FUL	Creation of enclosed roof terrace above existing single storey rear building with internal and external alterations. Location La Torre The Millfield Millfield Court Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5EN	15th September 2020.	20/02568/FUL	Proposed addition of balcony upon rear elevation of Plots 4 & 6. Location Plots 4 And 6 Land North Of Quarry House Nedderton Village Northumberland	24th September 2020	<p>Councillor Henderson tendered her apologies and left the meeting at this point – 7.20pm.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="919 456 1506 1173"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="919 456 1506 524">Determination</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="919 524 1506 913">RESOLVED to submit an OBJECTION to this application.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="919 913 1506 1173">No Comment</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Determination	RESOLVED to submit an OBJECTION to this application.	No Comment
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VM 078	<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>																																																																																																										
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	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
		Reay Security Limited	83.04	CCTV Charges
		Talk Talk Business	40.74	Telephone + Internet
		Hannah and Amy Lott	500.00	Funding Payment
		M Tuiloma	100.00	Funding Payment
		Bedlington Salvation Army	1,000.00	Funding Payment
		Matthew Project	1,000.00	Funding Payment
		Wansbeck Valley Food Bank	1,000.00	Funding Payment
		Zen Internet Ltd	5.39	Website Hosting
VM 079	e.	Other Planning Applications Where comments have not been requested.		
		Ref.	Description	
			None for This Meeting	
VM 080	f.	Planning decisions notified to WBTC by NCC.		
		Ref.	Description	Decision
		20/01744/PRU TPO	Tree Preservation Order Application - T30 - Cedar of Lebanon (TPO Tree) Reduce upper crown and reshape, bringing the sides in to a more tapered form, leaving no less than 70% of any individual branch length. Overextended branches will be brought back in line with overall form of tree. Target prune some branches back to stem to remove crown density in upper crown. T28 - Holly - Reduce over extended weak branches at top of crown inline with overall form of tree. Removing approx 20% of overall height; Lightly side prune to maintain distance from drive, and improve form. Location Greenside Fairway Rise Hartford Hall Estate Bedlington NE22 6AG	PERMIT
		20/01711/CCD	Single storey extension to the existing academy hall (further information received on 20/07/2020 - Coal Mining Risk Assessment Clairfication) Location St Benet Biscop Catholic Academy Ridge Terrace Bedlington NE22 6ED	GRANTED
		20/00716/FUL	Change of use of application site to equestrian use with erection of 10no stables, paddock area and gates/fencing to site frontage Location Land To South Of Hartford Drive Hartford Drive Hartford Bridge Northumberland NE22 6AJ	REFUSED
		20/02119/FUL	Proposed erection of a single-storey extension to bungalow Location 34 Carisbrooke Beaufront Park Bedlington NE22 7LB	GRANTED
VM 081	g.	Police Report. The Police Report received was NOTED by members. The Clerk will request some clarity around the submitted figures.		
VM 081		Meeting Close and Date of Next Meeting. The Chair closed the meeting at approx. 7.28pm. The next schedule meeting of West Bedlington Town Council will be on Thursday 8 th October 2020 at 6.30pm. Details to be advertised in advance.		

WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS:

Dawn Crosby, David Graham, Paul Hedley, Cath Henderson, Adam Hogg, Christine Taylor, Victoria Thompson, Mike Trimming, Jim Tyler.

Signed by Chair

Date