

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

To: **Members of the Budget and Administration Committee**

You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of the Budget and Administration Committee of **BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL** to be held in the Guild Hall, The Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed, on **TUESDAY, 15 JUNE 2021 AT 6:00 PM.**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.



Town Clerk

10 June 2021

EXTRACT FROM STANDING ORDERS

- 1(o) Unless permitted by the chairman of the meeting, a councillor may speak once in the debate on a motion except:
- i. to speak on an amendment moved by another councillor;
 - ii. to move or speak on another amendment if the motion has been amended since he last spoke;
 - iii. to make a point of order;
 - iv. to give a personal explanation that relates directly to new information concerning the member that was introduced during the debate, in which case they shall with the chair's consent offer their explanation after all other members who wish to do so have spoken, or
 - v. in exercise of a right of reply as the mover of the motion before a vote.
- 1(p) During the debate of a motion, a councillor may interrupt only on a point of order and the councillor who was interrupted shall stop speaking. A councillor raising a point of order shall identify the standing order which he considers has been breached or specify the other irregularity in the proceedings of the meeting he is concerned by.
- 1(t) Excluding motions moved understanding order 1(r) above, the contributions or speeches by a councillor shall relate only to the motion under discussion and shall not exceed (3) minutes without the consent of the chairman of the meeting.

A G E N D A

1. OPEN SESSION

Members of the public may make representations, ask questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda.

This is for a period of 15 minutes overall and is limited to 3 minutes per person.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIR

The Mayor shall take the chair until the members have elected a chair from amongst their number.

4. ELECTION OF A VICE-CHAIR

Members shall elect a vice-chair from amongst their number.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council Budget and Administration Committee meeting held on Monday, 12 April 2021 (**Draft Minutes**).

6. 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 9 July 2012, and 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.

7. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

(i) To receive from members who have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any items on the agenda an application for dispensation under section 33 of the Localism Act 2011 to enable members to participate in discussions and voting (pro-forma attached).

(ii) To consider requests for dispensation.

8. NOTIFICATION OF PAYMENTS MADE BY BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

To note payments made on behalf of the Town Council in March (**Appendix A**).

9. QUARTER 4 REPORT

To note the report (**Appendix B**).

10. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2020-21

To note the report (**Appendix C**).

11. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN (AGAR)

To note the report (**Appendix D**).

12. PARISH PRECEPTS IN NORTHUMBERLAND

To note the report (**Appendix E**).

13. INTERNAL AUDIT

To note the report (**Appendix F**).

14. REGULAR PAYMENTS

To note the report (**Appendix G**).

15. STATEMENT OF RESERVES

To note the report (**Appendix H**).

16. TOWN CLERK RESEARCH BRIEF

To receive a verbal update from the Town Clerk.

17. FORWARD PLAN

To receive an update on the Forward Plan (**Appendix I**).

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the committee will be held on Tuesday 13 July 2021, at 6:00 pm in the Town Hall.

The Committee may be recommended to pass a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the media and public from the discussion of the following business on the basis that public discussion may prejudice the Council's position and/or staffing issues may be discussed.

19. STAFFING MATTERS

- i. To receive a verbal update from the Town Clerk.
- ii. To provide guidance to the Town Clerk as to a report to Council.

MEMBERS OF THE BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:

Councillors: Janice Bowden, Alan Bowlas, Graham Brown, Christine Bruce, Robert Bruce, Rachel Driver, Anne Forbes, Alex Gibson, Mike Greener, Homer Lindsay, Clare Raybould, Gary Smith, Lesley Stephenson and Anne Williams.