

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council People and Communities Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 14 September 2021 at 6.00pm in the William Elder Building, Castlegate, Berwick-upon-Tweed

PRESENT:

Councillors:	C Bruce (Chair)	M Greener
	J Bowden	P Jackson
	A Bowlas	G Smith
	R Bruce	A Williams
	R Driver	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Julian Smith, Projects Officer
Stephen Cozens, Assistant to the Clerk
Cty Cllr G Hill
1 member of the public

PC039/21 1. OPEN SESSION

Cty Cllr G Hill raised awareness of a consultation regarding future plans for Berwick Academy and the middle schools. After which, on the motion of Cllr R Driver, seconded by Cllr P Jackson, the Committee **RESOLVED** that a representative of the meetings be invited to the next meeting of this Committee, and further **RESOLVED** that the Town Council liaise with Northumberland County Council (NCC).

PC040/21 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs J Bowden, H Lindsay, C Raybould and L Stephenson.

PC041/21 3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

On the motion of Cllr R Bruce, seconded by Cllr R Driver, the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 04 August 2021 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

PC042/21

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interests.

PC043/21

5. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were no requests for dispensation.

PC044/21

6. CLIMATE EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

The Committee discussed the correspondence received and the point was made that NCC has priority action areas. After which, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that this item be brought back to the next meeting of this Committee, to make recommendations to Council.

PC045/21

7. THE JIMMY STRENGTH PROJECT

The Projects Officer provided an update to the meeting, and, during the discussion, Standing Orders were suspended sufficiently to allow a member of the public to speak. After which, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the project be re-instated and further **RESOLVED** that an update be brought to the next meeting of this Committee.

PC046/21

8. FORWARD PLAN

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the schools consultation, climate emergency declarations and the Jimmy Strength Project be added to the Forward Plan.

It was further unanimously **RESOLVED** that, during discussion of the 'Jet Skis in the Tweed Estuary' that a request be made for a Town Council representative to be appointed to the Tweed Commissioners.

During these discussions Standing Orders were suspended sufficiently to allow a member of the public to speak.

It was then **RESOLVED** to note the forward plan.

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9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday, 06 October 2021 at 6.00 pm.