

# APPOINTMENT OF A TOWN CRIER

Further to previous discussions, Council is invited to consider the arrangements for the appointment of a Town Crier.		
<b>Recommendations:</b>		
Council is recommended to delegate to the Town Clerk authority to:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Devise a job description for a Town Crier to be appointed as an employee of the Town Council,</li> <li>2. Make arrangements to pay the individual appointed a wage equal to minimum wage for each appointment,</li> <li>3. To purchase a uniform and equipment for the Town Crier, including a bell, and</li> <li>4. To make such contractual arrangements as will manage the ability of the Town Crier to take other appointments using their uniform within the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed.</li> </ol>		
	Yes	No
Does the decision involve new expenditure?	Yes	
Is there an existing budget for the proposed expenditure (insert code)		No
What procurement level is required?	N/A	
Are there equalities impacts / an equalities assessment required?		No
Does this require a full council decision? (Reports for full council decision should still be sent to the relevant committee where possible.)	Yes	
Is there a background paper or papers? (provide links below).	Yes	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Council has previously approved the appointment of a Town Crier.</li> <li>2. Discussions have taken place with People and Communities committee, and outwith it.</li> <li>3. The opinion of the Town Clerk is that the nature of the post described is likely to be seen as a form of employment by the relevant tax authorities, and that therefore a job description and suitable contract is required.</li> </ol>		
<b>Issues arising from proposal.</b>		
None.		
<b>Rationale for recommendation.</b>		
Not applicable.		