

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

To: **ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

You are hereby requested, by the Chairman, to attend an Extraordinary Meeting of **BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL** to be held in The Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed, on **MONDAY 02 DECEMBER 2013 AT 6.30 PM**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.



Town Clerk

25 November 2013

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. STATEMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

The Chairman to invite members of the public present, to put questions to, or draw relevant matters to the attention of, the Council, prior to commencement of business.

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

5. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

To agree a response by the Council to the Core Strategy Consultation (preferred options

on housing, employment and Green Belt). As previously notified, the relevant documents can be viewed at <http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=3443>; there is also a hard reference copy in the office.

6. RESOLUTION

To consider the following resolution proposed by Councillor Gavin Jones:

The Town Council officers and/or Committee Chairs will not enter into further correspondence relating to requests for reviews, enquiries, investigations or similar (except in relation to requests under the Freedom of Information Act). Any further correspondence from councillors requesting reviews, enquiries, investigations or similar must be directed by members and officers to the Staffing Sub-Committee for consideration.

The Staffing Sub-Committee may, by majority decision, reject any correspondence from a member which they consider to be spurious or vexatious; the Staffing Sub-Committee may also reject correspondence if there has been more than one request in a 30-day period, on a single subject matter, from that member. The Staffing Sub-Committee's decision will be final.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of the Council to be held on 20 January 2014.