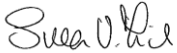


BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

To: **ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of **BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL** to be held in the Council Chamber, The Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed, on **MONDAY 19 JANUARY 2015 AT 6 PM**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.



Town Clerk

12 January 2015

OPEN SESSION

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.

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

2. MINUTES

- i. To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council meeting held on 29 September 2014.
- ii. To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council Extraordinary meeting held on 13 October 2014.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive announcements from the Town Mayor.

6. ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

To elect a Deputy Town Mayor for the remainder of the 2014-15 municipal year.

7. CO-OPTION OF MEMBER

Applications have been invited, by advertisement, from members of the public to fill the vacancy for Grove Ward. To consider the application which has been received (**Appendix A**).

8. NORTHUMBERLAND LOCAL PLAN CORE STRATEGY

To consider feedback on the Northumberland Local Plan Core Strategy: Full Draft Plan Consultation (available online at www.Northumberland.gov.uk/corestrategy).

[NOTE: A hard copy is available at the Town Council office from 10.30 – 12.30 Monday – Thursday, and at all other times by appointment only].

9. BUDGET 2015-16

To agree the budget and precept for 2015-16 (**Appendix B**).

10. ANNUAL AUDIT FOR 2013-14

Presentation of audited annual return and issues arising report (**Appendix C**).

11. STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

To consider adopting revised Standing Orders and Financial Regulations (**Appendix D**).

NOTE: In accordance with Standing Order 79, a resolution permanently to add, vary or revoke a Standing Order shall when proposed and seconded stand adjourned without discussion to the next ordinary meeting of Council.

12. FREEMEN AGM SEPTEMBER 2015

To consider whether the Town Council will host a function associated with the AGM of the Freemen of England and Wales (**Appendix E**).

13. PLANNING COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 9 September 2014 (**Appendix F**), 30 September 2014 (**Appendix G**), 21 October 2014 (**Appendix H**) and 25 November 2014 (**Appendix I**)

14. ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Environment and Regeneration Committee held on 15 September 2014 (**Appendix J**) and 10 November 2014 (**Appendix K**).

15. FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Finance and Resources Committee held on 21

July 2014 (**Appendix L**), 22 September 2014 (**Appendix M**) and 17 November 2014 (**Appendix N**).

A Formal Resolution is required to exclude the press and public during consideration of Item 16, which includes issues of a personal and confidential nature.

16. STAFFING COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Staffing Committee held on 7 July 2014 (**Appendix O**) and 24 September 2014 (**Appendix P**).

A Formal Resolution is required to re-open the meeting to the press and public.

17. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

To consider invitations for representation on outside bodies.

18. CALENDAR OF DATES FOR 2015-16

To agree the calendar of dates for meetings in 2015-16 (**Appendix Q**).

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday, 23 March 2015 at 6 pm in the Town Hall.