

## 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, 21 MARCH 2011 AT 6 PM**

**The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.**



**Town Clerk**

**16 March 2011**

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### 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**

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council Meeting held on 24 January 2011 and consider any matters arising.

**3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

To receive from members, in respect of any items included on the agenda for this meeting, disclosure of any personal or prejudicial interests.

**4. TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To receive announcements from the Town Mayor.

**5. HONORARY FREEMEN**

To consider a proposal that the Council appoint Honorary Freeman (**Attachment A**).

**6. NCC CULTURAL STRATEGY**

To consider the County Council's draft Cultural Strategy (**Attachment B**).

**7. PLAY PARKS**

- (i) To consider a request from the funders for longer-term commitment by the Town Council to the maintenance and running costs of Spittal Splash Park.
- (ii) To prioritise new sites and/or improved facilities at existing sites.

**8. A1 BUS SERVICES**

To agree a response to the letter (already circulated on 28 February) outlining changes to the A1 corridor bus service.

**9. NCC STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY FOR SEX ESTABLISHMENTS – CONSULTATION ON DRAFT POLICY**

To consider, and complete a response to, the consultation seeking local council views on the NCC Statement of Licensing Policy (Sex Establishments) – available to view at [www.northumberland.gov.uk](http://www.northumberland.gov.uk) (**Attachment C**).

**10. ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND ADDITIONAL TOWN MEETINGS**

(i) To consider a topic (or topics) and possible speaker (or speakers) for the 2011 Annual Town Meeting, which is to be held on Tuesday, 19 April at 6 pm.

(ii) To consider whether the Town Council should hold regular meetings outside the Council and Committee meeting cycle to enable members of the community to discuss specific and relevant issues.

**11. CALENDAR OF DATES FOR 2011-12**

To agree the calendar of dates for meetings in 2011-12 (**Attachment D**).

**12. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

To consider invitations for representations on outside bodies.

**13. EVENTS COMMITTEE**

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Events Committee held on 7 March 2011. (**Attachment E**).

**14. ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE**

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Regeneration Committee held on 7 March 2011. (**Attachment F**).

**15. FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Resources Committee held on 8 March 2011 (**Attachment G**).

**16. PLANNING COMMITTEE**

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 18 January 2011 (**Attachment H**) and on 15 February 2011 (**Attachment I**) and on 15 March 2011 (**Attachment J**).

**17. GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

- (i) To adopt an Equality Policy for the Town Council (**Attachment K**)
- (ii) To note that the Council is now registered as a Data Controller under the Data Protection Act (**Attachment L**)

**18. LICENSING CONSULTATIONS**

To consider Taxi Licensing Zones and Taxi Ranks Provision in Northumberland and Berwick (**Attachment M**)

**19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 9 May 2011 at 6 pm in the Town Hall.