

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 25 JANUARY 2010 AT 6 PM**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Town Clerk

18 January 2010

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.

The open session will include the opportunity for Acting Inspector Andy Pullen to update the council and community on current policing issues.

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 16 November 2009 (attached) 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. SERVICE DEVOLUTION

To note the response sent by the Town Clerk to the Director of Street Scene

(**Attachment A**) and consider any issues arising.

6. REVIEW OF ISSUES ARISING FROM SEVERE COLD WEATHER

To raise and discuss issues arising from the period of exceptional cold weather (including gritting and Call Centre responses), to inform the County Council at a joint meeting of the Communities and Place and Economic Prosperity and Strategic Services Overview and Scrutiny Committees being held on 26 January.

7. RESOLUTION

To consider the resolution proposed by Councillor Robertson (**Attachment B**).

8. CORRESPONDENCE

To consider two requests which have been received:

(i) Request from Alice Burn to become Northumbrian Smallpiper to the Mayor of Berwick-upon-Tweed;

(ii) Request from the Royal Regiment of Scotland for the Town Council to present a Pipe Banner to the Royal Regiment of Scotland, at an estimated cost of £350-£500 (**Attachment C**).

9. TOWN COUNCIL WEBSITE

To receive a report on the Town Council website: [www. Berwick-tc.gov.uk](http://www.Berwick-tc.gov.uk)

10. TOWN TWINNING

To receive a report from Councillors Bettison and Robertson on the proposals for continuing established twinning links.

11. BERWICK COMMUNITY FORUM

To note that a meeting to progress the Berwick Community Forum will be held on 3 February 2010 at The Parish Centre, and to receive an up-date from the Town Clerk on the Forum.

12. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

To consider any requests for representation on outside bodies.

13. FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(i) Audit

To note, as required by the Audit Commission, the completion of audit for the year ending 31 March 2009.

(ii) Minutes

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Finance and Resources Committee held on 9 November 2009 (**Attachment D**) and on 14 December 2009 (**Attachment E**)

(iii) Report of Meeting held on 25 January

To receive a verbal report of the Finance and Resources Committee held immediately in advance of the Council meeting to consider the budget for 2010-11; copies of the budget will be tabled.

14 ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Regeneration Committee held on 10 November 2009 (**Attachment F**).

15. EVENTS COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Events Committee held on 9 November 2009 (**Attachment G**)

16. PLANNING COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 17 November 2009 (**Attachment H**); on 15 December 2009 (**Attachment I**); (meeting on 19 January 2010 cancelled).

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND CALENDAR OF DATES FOR 2010-11.

Monday 22 March 2010 at 6 pm in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, Marygate.

To agree the calendar of dates for meetings in 2010-11 (**Attachment j**); (please note that the Events and Environment and Regeneration Committee meetings will both now precede Finance and Resources Committee meetings; and that Council meetings should not conflict with Area Committee meetings if these continue on the current four-weekly cycle).