

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 27 JUNE 2016 AT 6 PM**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

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Assistant to the Clerk

20 June 2016

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

Introduction of new Northumbria police inspector for Berwick, Inspector Liz Hall

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 9 May 2016.

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.

RESOLUTION: That Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council formally support and endorse the efforts of the Harbour Commissioner to raise financial support for the development of the harbour. Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council wish to help in any way that they can.

6. CO-OPTION OF MEMBER

Applications have been invited from members of the public to fill the vacancy for Upper Spittal Ward. To consider the applications which have been received (**Appendix A**).

7. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

To receive any reports from County Councillors.

8. WARD COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Agreement from Councillors to provide a Ward report on a regular basis, timescale to be agreed.

9. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2016

1. To note the report of the Internal Auditors and the actions that are recommended in the report (**Appendix B**).
2. In accordance with Accounts and Audit Regulations, to approve the accounting statement and annual governance statement for the year ending 31 March 2016 (**Appendix C**).

10. STANDING ORDERS

Approval of amendment to the Standing Orders (number 18) in regard to the Financial Regulations as advised by Mr Stephen Warren (**Appendix D**).

11. OSBOURNE ROAD PLAY PARK AND PRIOR PARK PLAY PARK

Approval to go out to tender for Osbourne Road Play Park and Prior Park Play Park. Cllr Gibson, Graham and Hodgson.

12. SMALL BUSINESS CONFERENCE

To note the report and approve the resolutions within the report for The Berwick Small Business Conference 2016 (**Appendix E**).

13. RAGES (RAIL ACTION GROUP EAST SCOTLAND)

To consider a proposal by Cllr G Hill, in relation to Berwick-upon-Tweed Council supporting the aims of RAGES (Rail Action Group East Scotland), and to adopt a policy to support the campaign for a later train service to Berwick (**Appendix F**).

14. HIGHCLIFFE SKATE PARK

To discuss a way forward for Highcliffe Skate Park.

The Council has been informed that the Skate Park is in poor condition, can Councillors suggest a way forward.

15. QUAYSIDE PATH AND MARKET PROPOSAL

To approve the quayside path and market proposal (**Appendix G**).

16. BARRACKS HERITAGE HUB

Update on Barracks Heritage Hub project – Cllr Goodyer / Cllr Lang (**Appendix H**).

17. ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Regeneration Committee held on 29 February 2016 (**Appendix I**).

18. FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Resources Committee held on 4 April 2016 (**Appendix J**).

19. PLANNING COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 26 April 2016 (**Attachment K**).

20. STAFFING COMMITTEE

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Committee held on 29 March 2016 (**Appendix L**).

21. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

To consider invitations for representation on outside bodies.

Sure Start Children's Board – vacancy left by ex-Councillor Jeanette Beresford.

22. CALENDAR OF DATES FOR 2016-17

To agree the revised calendar of dates for meetings in 2016-17 (**Appendix M**).

23. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday, 11 July 2016 at 6 pm in the Town Hall.