

## BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 24 February 2015  
at 5 pm at The Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed**

### **PRESENT:**

Councillors:	I Hunter (Town Mayor)	J Lang
	T Forrester	G McLean
	A Gibson	J Robertson
	G Hill	C Seymour
	G Jones	F Simpson

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Bill Batey, Acting Clerk

Peter Cameron, North East Regional Employers' Organisation

14 members of the public

### **CO92/14 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been accepted on behalf of: Councillors H Bettison (holiday), I Dixon (personal), G Roughed (work commitment) and G Smith (holiday).

Absent: Councillors J Beresford and A Turnbull.

### **CO93/14 2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Councillors G Hill, J Robertson and J Lang agreed that they would leave the room if there were detailed discussions about the Independent Panel Report.

### **CO94/14 3. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION**

No requests were received.

**Following a discussion and advice about confidential items, it was  
RESOLVED: To exclude the press and public during discussion of the  
recommendations from NEREO (CO95/14) and the recommendations from  
the Independent Panel (CO96/14), as they involved the likely disclosure of**

**exempt information relating to an individual employee which was of a personal and confidential nature.**

**CO95/14            4. RECOMMENDATION FROM NEREO (NORTH EAST REGIONAL EMPLOYERS' ORGANISATION)**

This minute is confidential and was considered in private.

**CO96/14            5. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE INDEPENDENT PANEL**

This minute is confidential and was considered in private.

**RESOLVED: To re-open the meeting to the press and public for the remainder of the meeting.**

**CO97/14            6. PAYMENTS TO NEREO**

An invoice had been received from NEREO for the work that they had undertaken on a staffing matter. Given that there remained some uncertainty in relation to agenda items considered in private, Councillors agreed to defer the payment approval until the next Council meeting.

**RESOLVED: To defer the payment to NEREO until the next Council meeting.**

**CO98/14            7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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

The meeting closed at 6.25pm