BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council Environment and Regeneration Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 17 September 2008 at 6.45 pm at the William Elder Building, Castlegate, Berwick-upon-Tweed

PRESENT:

Councillors: P Herdman (Chairman of the Council)

A Houghton
M McNeely
J Robertson
C Routledge

IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillor J Beresford
Councillor H Bettison

S Finch, Clerk

One member of the public

ER001/08 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Nominations were invited for the office of Chairman of the Environment and Regeneration Committee for the remaining municipal year 2008/2009.

RESOLVED: That Councillor F Simpson be appointed Chairman of the Environment and Regeneration Committee for the year 2008/2009.

In the absence of Councillor Simpson, Councillor Herdman chaired the following two items.

ER002/08 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Simpson.

ER003/08 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED: That Councillor A Houghton be appointed Vice Chairman of the

Environment and Regeneration Committee for the year 2008/2009.

Councillor Houghton took the Chair.

ER004/08 STATEMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

There were no statements by members of the public.

ER005/08 LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN

The Clerk advised that the consultation period during which local councils could submit transport priorities for 2009-10 had been extended to enable Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council, as a new local council, to respond.

Councillor Houghton said he had spoken to the Highways Division of Northumberland County Council to seek clarification of how these consultations related to the Local Transport Plan.

Members agreed that in view of the significance of a number of the transport issues within the Town Council area, it would be helpful to accept the offer from the Highways Division to attend a meeting of members and explain the process for incorporating local requests into the Integrated Transport Programme.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to invite the Highways Division to attend a meeting to explain to councillors how the Local Transport Plan and Integrated Transport Programme is developed and the ways in which the Town Council is involved in that process.

[NOTE: Councillor Herdman left the meeting during consideration of this item.]

ER006/08 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 15 October at 6pm in the small meeting room of The William Elder Building.