

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council People and Communities Committee Meeting held on Monday, 05 February 2018 at 7.00pm in the Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed

PRESENT:

Councillors: K Graham (Chair)
 R Bruce
 B Parkin
 G Roughead
 L Stephenson

IN ATTENDANCE:

G Davies, Town Clerk
S Cozens, Assistant to the Clerk
Cty Cllr G Hill
2 members of the public.

OPEN SESSION

A member of the public raised the issue of the changed time for the meeting; the Town Clerk explained that it was an exception, but had been advertised lawfully.

PC038/17 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from: Cllrs H Bettison, I Dixon, B Douglas and H Nichols.

PC039/17 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

On the motion of Cllr Roughead seconded by Cllr Stevenson the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 6 November 2017 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

PC040/17 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interests.

PC041/17 4. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were no requests for dispensation.

PC042/17 5. HARD TO REACH COMMUNITIES

On the motion of Cllr Parkin, seconded by Cllr Stephenson, it was **RESOLVED** to accept the Town Clerk's report and to standardize on the use of the acronym LGBT+.

PC043/17 6. HOMELESSNESS IN THE AREA

After a debate which included the temporary suspension of standing orders sufficiently to allow a member of another local authority to take part in the debate it was **RESOLVED** without debate that the Town Clerk should contact all interested organizations supporting or providing services to the homeless in Berwick upon Tweed to discuss multi-agency problem solving approaches.

PC044/17 7. PONTOON PROJECT

It was **RESOLVED** without dispute that the Town Clerk should convene a meeting of interested parties to pursue the formation of a suitable organization to take this project forward.

PC045/17 8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting would be Monday, 5 March 2018 at 6.30 pm.