



**To: All Residents of the Parish**

You are invited to attend a MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL to be held on **Tuesday 23 January 2024 at 6.30pm** at East Bedlington Community Centre  
The agenda for the meeting is set out below.

*J Tindale*

**Jennifer Tindale  
Parish Clerk**

**18 January 2024**

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## **OPEN SESSION**

The Chair to invite members of the public to put questions or draw relevant matters to the attention of the council, prior to the commencement of business. This is for a period of **15 minutes** overall and is limited to **3 minutes** per person. The Chair of the Council will inform the members of the public of the action to be taken, that is, to be passed to a Working Group; go on the next agenda; or that their points will be taken into consideration if already on the agenda.

Councillors are not allowed to participate in this part of the meeting, other than to ask direct questions for clarification. **The public are not permitted to participate in the remainder of the meeting.**

## **AGENDA**

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

### **2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

To sign as a correct record, the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 7 November 2023.

### **3. CLERK & OFFICER'S UPDATE**

To receive a written update on items actioned since the previous meeting.

### **4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**

To receive from members disclosure of any personal or prejudicial interest in respect of any items included on the agenda and to consider any requests for dispensation.

### **5. POLICE REPORT**

**Interim report circulated to members.**

### **6. NCC COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

To receive written reports from elected members on business relating to East Bedlington Parish.

## **7. CORRESPONDENCE**

To note the correspondence received (attached at Appendix A) and the actions taken and proposed.

## **8. PLANNING**

To note the planning as detailed in appendix B

## **9. FINANCE REPORT**

- 9.1 Schedule of receipts and payments
- 9.2 Bank Reconciliation
- 9.3 Budget Report
- 9.4 Detailed Income & Expenditure Report for month end 31 December 2023
- 9.5 Balance Sheet for month end 31 December 2023

## **10. WORKING GROUPS**

**To receive the minutes of:**

- 10.1 The Services Working Group held 12 December 2023
- 10.2 The Finance & General-Purpose and Budget Working Group held 19 December 2023

## **11. MATTERS FOR DECISION**

**That members consider the following:**

- 11.1 To fund room hire to facilitate Town Twinning Event Friday 6 September 2024 not exceeding £150.00
- 11.2 To note the delegated decision to support Bedlington Academy Senior Citizen Christmas Lunch with a grant of £200.

## **12. ANNUAL BUDGET & PARISH PRECEPT 2024-2025**

**To approve the recommendation as noted in the Parish Precept Report:**

- (1) Items of growth totalling £14,850 and budget reductions totalling £13,700 itemised at Appendix A & B respectively.
- (2) Non-recurring items of expenditure (totalling £1,625) itemised at Appendix C.
- (3) Capital expenditure (totalling £95,000) itemised at Appendix D)
- (4) No increase in Allotment rents for 2024/25.
- (5) The detailed budget proposal attached at Appendix G
- (6) The Parish Precept for 2024 in the sum of £300,549 representing £143 for the Parish Council's element of the Council Tax for a Band D property.

### **13. SMALL GRANTS & DONATIONS**

#### **To approve the recommendation of the Finance & General Purpose working group and award**

- i) An award of £220 be made to Bedlington & District Red Squirrel Group for the purchase of capital items.
- ii) An award of £250 be made to 2552 Bedlington Air Training Corps for the purchase of IT equipment.
- iii) (iii) An award of £300 be made to the PCC of St Andrews, Cambois to support the continuation of Tasty Tuesday food kitchen.

### **14. DATE & TIME NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday 5 March 2024**

### **15. EAST BEDLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL –**

Members will be asked to consider under **Standing Order 68**, that in view of the special and confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and asked to withdraw.

## **Agenda, Part 2**

### **1. EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**

Members to consider that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items, permitted under Part I (1) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960) as the matter is confidential and relates to employees.

### **2. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT CLERK**

**Members to approve the appointment of an Assistant Clerk subject to receipt of satisfactory references.**

### **3. REPRESENTATIONS FROM FORMER TRUSTEES EAST BEDLINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**APPENDIX A****SCHEDULE OF CORRESPONDENCE**

190	09/11/2023	NCC	Confirmation of installation of motifs and switch on	Noted
191	09/11/2023	Bedlington Academy	Request for support with Senior Citizens Lunch	Ref delegated decision
192	09/11/2023	NALC -National	Chief Executives Bulletin	Circulated to members
193	09/11/2023	NCC Northumberland Line	Project update	Bed Station working group
194	09/11/2023	NCC	Northumberland Line letter to residents	Circulated to members
195	09/11/2023	Erin Hogg	Memorial Seat enquiry	Details sent – Clerk
196	09/11/2023	Mandie Cockburn	Enquiry re area surrounding miners wheel Cambois	Clerk responded
197	09/11/2023	WBTC	Agreement of WBTC to circulated Station consultation flyer in West Bedlington	Ref Planning & Economic Regen WG
198	12/11/2023	Dennis Fancett	Request for Parish to promote bus service route to Cramlington in next newsletter	Ref Services WG
199	13/11/2023	NCC	TTRO 136053519 C405 Station Road 29/12 to 08/01	Circulated to members
200	13/11/2023	NCC	Update on Bedlington Active Travel Corridor	Circulated to members
201	15/11/2023	NCC	Notification Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley LAC	Circulated to members
202	15/11/2023	NCC -Planning	Application 23/04110/Out – Land North of Blyth – East Sleekburn / South-east Cambois	Agenda item
203	16/11/2023	NALC National	Chief executives bulletin	Circulated to members
204	20/11/2023	Sir James Knott Trust	Response to funding enquiry – Bedlington 'A' Pit project	Clerk
205	20/11/2023	NCC	Update on installation of festive lighting	Clerk
206	21/11/2023	NCC – Planning	Application 23/0108/FUL – Determination plot to rear of 49 Rothesay Terrace	Agenda item
207	22/11/2023	Advance Northumberland	Bedlington Town Centre Update	Circulated to members
208	22/11/2023	NCC	TTRO136508947 C405 Station Road level crossing from 20/01/2024 to 22/01/2024	Circulated to members

209	23/11/2023	Northumberland ALC	NALC E:news Nov 2023	Circulated to members
210	23/11/2023	NALC National	Chief Executives Bulletin	Circulated to members
211	23/11/2023	Simon Mason	Request to add a partner to allotment tenancy	Ref Services WG
212	29/11/2023	NCC	Open space survey	RFO to complete
213	30/11/2023	Bedlington Academy	Letter of thanks Senior Citizen Lunch grant award	Ref Finance & General Purpose WG
214	30/11/2023	NALC National	Chief executives bulletin	Circulated to members
215	30/11/2023	Bedlington Academy	Letter of thanks re Breakfast Club Grant	Ref Finance & General Purpose WG
216	30/11/2023	NCC – Planning	Application 23/04407/VARYCO – Land east of Barrington Park, East Sleekburn	Agenda item
217	04/12/2023	Nixon Hire	Note of thanks for previous years business quote for provision of toilets Gallagher Park Live 2024	Ref Events WG
218	06/12/2023	NCC	Northumberland Line progress update	Circulated to members
219	19/12/2023	NCC	Confirmation of TPC Spring Conference	19/12/2023
220	19/12/2023	Steve Barham	Waverley Drive / Bolam issues	Ref Service WG
221	20/12/2023	Pamela Hetherington	Response to Station Building consultation	Ref Planning & Economic Regen WG
222	21/12/2023	NALC National	Chief Executives Bulletin	Circulated to members
223	21/11/2023	Northumberland ALC	NALC E:News December 2023	Circulated to members
224	21/12/2023	NCC- Planning	Application 23/03876/FUL – 31 Balmoral Close , Bower Grange	Agenda item
225	22/12/2023	NCC	Confirmation of 'Making' of Newbiggin by the Sea Neighbourhood Plan	Circulated to members
226	22/12/2023	NCC – Planning	Application 23/04435/FULL – land West of West Bridge Street, Cambois	Agenda item
227	22/12/2023	247 Business Solutions	Response to inspection of Parish Computer system	Ref Clerk / Chairman

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228	31/12/2023	Kirstie Morris	Complaint re Parish Council's Allotment Policy	Ref Services Committee
229	02/01/2024	Steve Barnham	Further details and copy correspondence (for info) re Waverley Drive / Bolam issues	Ref Services WG / NPT
230	03/01/2024	NCC	Query regarding further submission to Borderlands Place Programme – Railway Buildings	Chairman / Clerk response Ref Planning & Economic Regen WG
231	03/01/2024	NPT	Enquiry re POP Up Police Station	Clerk / Chairman
232	05/01/2024	NCC	Response to request for permission process to illuminate proposed structure Bedlington 'A' Pit	Ref Services WG
233	07/01/2024	NPT	Comprehensive Policing update – Inspector Wayne Daniels	Circulated to members / Agenda item
234	06/01/2024	Crime Commissioner	Northumbria Police Precept consultation Jan 2024	Circulated to members
235	06/01/2024	Steve Barham	Request for meeting space to discuss issues with partner agencies	Clerk / Chairman
236	08/01/2024	Blackhall Powis	Request to meet with Members re impact of proposed Berwick Bank Offshore Windfarm project	Services WG 20 Feb 2024
237	08/01/2024	NCC	Notification of residual Wansbeck S106 Housing Developer Fund balance	Clerk
238	08/01/2024	NCC	Northumberland Line – letter to residents re Bedlington Site Compound set up	Circulated to members
239	09/01/2023	Hiscox	Confirmation of settlement of litter bin claim	RFO / Services WG
240	09/01/2024	NCC – Planning	Application 23/04600/FUL – Land South of 2 Wembley Gardens, Cambois	Agenda item
241	09/01/2024	Hiscox	Confirmation of claim 124009419 - C2ID - Settlement offer - Beach Shelter	RFO / Services WG
242	09/01/2024	NCC	Confirmation of request for External IT Scrutiny	RFO
243	21/11/2023	Northumberland ALC	NALC E:News December 2023	Circulated to members
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251	03/01/2024	NPT	Enquiry re POP Up Police Station	Clerk / Chairman
252	05/01/2024	NCC	Response to request for permission process to illuminate proposed structure Bedlington 'A' Pit	Ref Services WG
253	07/01/2024	NPT	Comprehensive Policing update – Inspector Wayne Daniels	Circulated to members / Agenda item
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262	09/01/2024	NCC	Confirmation of request for External IT Scrutiny	RFO
263	12/12/2023	Spotty Dog	Quotation for replacement interpretation panels Free Wood	Services WG
264	12/01/2024	NALC – National	Chief Executives Bulletin	Circulated to members
265	12/01/2024	Diego Perea-Solis	Request for Parish Views on installation of EV charging point Cambois Bucanner car park	Ref Services WG
266	15/01/2024	NCC	Confirmation Railway Car Park planters not affected by car park closure	Noted
267	15/01/2024	Asset Watch	Incident report off road bike nuisance Bedlington Station	NPT informed
268	15/0/2024	NCC	Town & Parish Council Liaison Working Group Meeting 24 Jan 2024	Cllr Grimes
269	16/01/2024	NCC – Planning	Application 23/01849/LBC – Windmill Farm Smallholdings	Agenda item
270	16/01/2024	Wansbeck Community Wellbeing Service	Request to send 2 Link workers on weekly basis to support Welcome Hub	Clerk
271	16/01/2024	NCC	Confirmation of access road refurbishment arrangements for Gallagher Park Live	Events WG
272	16/01/2024	NCC	Confirmation of MLIS funding Councillor Alex Wallace	Ref Services WG
273	16/01/2024	NCC	Notification of Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley LAC 24 January 2024	Circulated to members
274	18/01/2024	NALC – National	Chief executive’s Bulletin	Circulated to members.



## Appendix B

<b>Date</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>address</b>	<b>observations</b>
15/11/2023	23/04110/OUT	Onshore export cables, converter station and associated grid connection for Berwick Bank Offshore Wind Farm	Land North of Blyth, East Sleekburn / South -east Cambois	Observations by 6 December 2023
21/11/2023	23/01081/FUL	Propose two new build semi detached properties	Garden plot to rear of 49 Rothesay Terrace, Bedlington	Determination  REFUSED
30/11/2023	23/04407/VAR YCO	Variation of conditions 5 (landscape management plan), 9 (highway and footpaths, 12 (turning area), 13 (surface water), 14 vehicular access), 16a (written scheme of investigation) and 25 (validation and verification report ) in order to remove condition 25 as not relevant. No gas Protection confirmed and other conditions to be submitted as the trigger point has been missed on approved application 15/02628/FUL	Land East of Barrington Park, Bedlington	Observations  21 December 2023
21/12/2023	23/03876/FUL	Retrospective proposed single storey rear extension and internal refurbishment	31 Balmoral Close, Bower Grange Bedlington	Determination  REFUSED
22/12/2023	23/04435/FUL	Completion of fit-out of ash barge dock and surrounding quayside including: construction of concrete paving including formation of	Land West of West Bridge Street, Cambois	Observations by:  12 January 2024

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		transport corridor and parking area; formation of new access into site; installation of lighting,; electrical substation; and switch gear, site drainage, utilities, ducting erection of security gatehouse; gates, entrance and exit barriers and fencing; quayside fendering; and erection of welfare/office accommodation		
09/01/2024	23/04600/FUL	Construction of 8 semi detached (6x3 bed room and 2 x 4 bed room) residential dwellings with new access road, 20 parking spaces with 8 EV charging facilities, cycle storage, refuse storage and associated landscaping	Land South of 2 Wembley Gardens, Cambois	Observations by 30 January 2024
16/01/2023	23/01849/LBC	Listed building consent for external alterations to fenestration and internal alterations including the infilling of floors and the introduction of stud walls	3 Windmill Farm Smallholdings, Choppington Rd, Choppington	Determination GRANTED
16/01/2023	Wansbeck Community Wellbeing Service	Request to sen		