

Minutes of a West Bedlington Town Council Services Committee Meeting held on Thursday 26 May 2016 at 6.00 pm at Bedlington Community Centre, Bedlington.



**WEST BEDLINGTON
TOWN COUNCIL**

PRESENT:

Councillors: C Taylor (Chair), K Dalton, J Dobie, D Graham, P Hedley, M Robinson.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Town Clerk: S Young

3 members of the public in attendance.

S068/16 - 1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Having been proposed and seconded Councillor Taylor was elected Chair of the committee

S069/16 - 2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR

Having been proposed and seconded Councillor Dalton was elected Deputy Chair of the committee.

S070/16 - 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Hogg.

S071/16 - 4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Resolved that the minutes of the Services Committee meeting held on 28th April 2016 are approved.

S072/16 - 5. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

S073/16 - 6. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interest for this meeting.

S074/16 - 7. ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF REFERENCE.

Resolved to accept the terms of reference subject to the following amendment

“The Committee shall elect a Chair and Deputy Chair from its membership in attendance at the first meeting of the Committee after the Council’s Annual Meeting”. (Appendix A).

S075/16 - 8. SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR 2016/17.

Resolved to adopt the draft schedule of meeting dates for 2016/17 - (Appendix B).

S076/16 - 9. ALLOTMENTS

The Chair agreed to a request to move this agenda item to the end of the meeting.

S077/16. - 10. ATTLEE PARK

No further update at this time.

S078/16 - 11. BUS SHELTERS

The Clerk confirmed that the repainting of the retained bus shelters was complete and that Council name transfers together with “No Smoking Signs” were still to be fixed. The only other outstanding work in relation to the Bus Shelter Renewal Project is the extension of the concrete pad at the Chester Court – Choppington Road bus shelter.

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S079/16 - 12. PUBLIC SEATS

The Clerk confirmed that the planned replacement of the seat at Westlea with the seat at The Grange Nedderton play area was not possible because of the poor condition of the existing seat at The Grange play area.

Resolved to remove the seat at Westlea with a view to replacing it in the future.

S080/16 - 13. LITTER BINS

- **Resolved not to reposition the newly installed litter bin near the entrance to the Whitley Memorial.**
- **Resolved to provide an additional litter bin for the 20 Acre Field, the bin will be positioned (subject to the removal of an existing post mounted bin) on the Church Lane / Millfield corner of the field.**
- **Resolved at this time not to reposition the post mounted bin in Augustus Drive. The bin will be replaced with a floor mounted bin in the future as part of the Councils litter bin consolidation programme.**

S081/16 - 14. PLAY AREAS

The Clerk confirmed that the play equipment, railings, seat and litter bin at The Grange Nedderton had all been removed and disposed of. The Council had received thanks from local residents for carrying out the work.

The Chair advised that she intended to convene an initial meeting of the Play Area Refurbishment working group in the near future.

S082/16 - 15. STREET LIGHTING PROJECT

The Chair confirmed that she was continuing to gather evidence in relation to incorrectly positioned lamp posts for submission to the County Council.

The Clerk confirmed that a further meeting had been set up the County Councils Street Lighting managers to discuss the various areas of concern.

S083/16 - 16. ENVIROMENTAL

The Clerk confirmed that he was still awaiting a quote in relation to the painting of the railings on Glebe Bank Bedlington.

S084/16 - 17. FINANCIAL REPORT

Resolved to accept the financial report provided by the Clerk.

S085/16 - 18. CCTV

Resolved that the Councils preferred locations for Northumberland County Council CCTV cameras would be Red Lion Roundabout to help control anti-social behaviour around that area, particularly the subway and any location that would cover The Market Place.

S086/16 - 19. PLANNING

Ref.	Description	Response Due
16/00565/FUL	Construction of single detached dwelling on grass paddock Location Humford Mill Country Park Church Lane Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5RT	27th May 2016
16/00566/FUL	Construction of single detached dwelling on land west of existing house Location Land West Of Humford Mill Church Lane Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5RT	27th May 2016
16/01420/ADE	Advertisement Consent: Installation of 1no. non-illuminated hanging sign and 1no. non-illuminated swinging pavement sign to be placed outside of surgery during opening hours but to be stored inside when closed Location The Veterinary Centre 72 Front Street East Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5AB	31st May 2016
16/01150/FUL	Alterations to form new kitchen and extension of existing pitched roof Location 77 Acorn Avenue Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5SP	8th June 2016

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16/01617/FUL	Extension to rear and first floor extension over garage. Location 1 Raby Close Hazelmere Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6NL	9 th June 2016
16/01164/DISCON	Discharge of conditions 8 and 11 of application 15/03944/FUL Land South West Of 21 Front Street East Bedlington Northumberland	NA

Resolved that objections would be submitted in relation to planning applications 16/00565/FUL, 16/00566FUL and 16/01420/ADE.

In respect of application 16/01164/DISCON the Committee were advised that the conditions had already been discharge.

Resolved that Councillor Hedley would represent the Council at the Planning Committee meeting of 7th June 2016 in relation to planning application 16/00511/VARYCO Land North of Slaley Court Bedlington variation of condition 8 (Removal of hedges).

S087/16 - 20. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business noted.

S088/16 - 21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved that he next meeting of the Services Committee will be held on Thursday 23rd June 2016 at 6pm in Bedlington Community Centre.

S089/16 - 9 ALLOTMENTS

No further update. The Council is awaiting some further information from the National Association of Allotments.

Approved by the Chair

23rd June 2016

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