Minutes of the West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held via internet conferencing Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/i/82641774014 Meeting ID: 826 4177 4014 On Thursday 11th February 2021 at 6.30pm

ONE MINUTES SILENCE – Before the commencement of the meeting the Chair spoke in memory of Mary Allan a past member of West Bedlington Town Council and a minute's silence was observed.

PRESENTATIONS – There were no presentations for this meeting.

QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- A resident asked if The Town Council had received any update(s) in relation to the proposed Town Centre development. The Chair advised that the Town Council had not received any recent information in relation to the proposed development.
- The Council received one written question from a resident this was added to the agenda Part B2d. 0

PART A - ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

Min		Attendance / Apologies and Declarations of Interests.	Determination
Ref			
VM		In Attendance	Councillors Crosby, Graham, Hedley, Henderson,
160			Taylor (Chair), Thompson and Trimming.
			Town Clerk Steven Young, County Councillor Wallace
			and 7 (Seven) members of the public.
VM	a.	Apologies for Absence.	
161		i. To receive and note any apologies for absence from	i. Apologies for absence were received and NOTED
		Councillors	from Councillors Hogg and Tyler.
			County Councillor Crosby submitted apologies for this
			meeting.
		ii. To consider and determine any dispensations for	ii. Councillor Tyler was AWARDED A DISPENSATION for
		absent Councillors.	his absence from the meeting.
VM	b.	Declaration of Interests.	
162		i. Unless already entered in the Council's Register of	i. Councillor Thompson declared an interest in
		Members' interests, members are required to	agenda item Part B 2b ii. Whitley Memorial C of E
		disclose any personal interest, (which includes any	Primary School Pupils Fund Application.
		disclosable pecuniary interest), they may have in	
		any of the items included on the agenda for the	
		meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct	
		adopted by the Council on 12th July 2012.	
		ii. To consider any requests for dispensations.	ii. There were no dispensations to determine for this
			meeting.

PART B – MATTERS FOR DECISION

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS / SUMMARY OF DELEGATED DECISIONS

		Details of Meeting or Delegated Decisions	Determination		
VM	a.	To agree and sign as a correct record the minutes of RESOLVED that the minutes of the West I			
163		West Bedlington Town Council Meeting held on 14 th	Town Council Meeting held on 14 th January 2021 are		
		January 2021.	APPROVED as a true record.		
VM	b.	To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the	There were no matters arising from the minutes of the		
164		last meeting that are not included as agenda items.	meeting held on 14 th January 2021.		



		Matters for Discussion / Decision	Determination		
VM 165	a.	Grit Bins The Council are asked to discuss and decide upon a further request from County Councillor Robinson to take on future "top up" charges for a third new Grit Bin (The Council approved the adoption of two grit bin on Hazelmere Estate, Bedlington at its January meeting). Councillor Robinson proposes to purchase the grit bins and their initial grit supplies and in accordance with the "Grit Bin policy" (distributed to members) West Bedlington Town Council would fund any additional top up charges., (The proposed grit bin location distributed to members).	RESOLVED TO APPROVE the adoption of future "refill costs" for a new Grit Bins provided by County Councillor Robinson for the Westlea Estate, Bedlington.		
VM 166	b.	Pupils Fund Applications The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon the following bids made in respect of The Council Pupils Fund. i) Meadowdale Academy ii) Whitley Memorial C of E Primary School	i) RESOLVED to award £1,500ii) RESOLVED to award £1,500		
VM 167	C.	 Bedlington Market Place. The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon proposals from Northumberland County Council to prevent unlawful parking at Bedlington Market Place. Specifically, the Council are asked to i) Agree the suggested scheme (details distributed to members) ii) Agree a level (if any) of a financial contribution to the cost of the scheme (estimated completion cost is £7,300) 	 RESOLVED TO APPROVE i) RESOLVED to AGREE to the suggested scheme. Additionally The Town Council suggest that consideration should be given to ensuring there is no vehicular access to Market Place in the vicinity of the pedestrian crossing. ii) RESOLVED to provide funding contribution of £5,000 towards the cost of the scheme. 		
VM 168	d.	Dr Pit Park Anti-Social Behaviour The Council are requested to discuss and decide upon a request from a Bedlington resident for help with Anti- Social Behaviour in and around Dr Pit Park, Bedlington. (request distributed to members in advance of meeting).	 RESOLVED TO i) Provide a CCTV station outside of the park as a deterrent to Anti-Social Behaviour (Park Road Entrance). ii) Provide funding to Northumberland County Council to facilitate the locking and unlocking of the park gates. 		
VM 169	e.	Asset Register. The Council are asked to review and approve its asset register. (Draft updated register circulated to members).	RESOLVED TO APPROVE the updated asset register.		
VM 170	f.	Financial Governance Statement 2020 - 2021 . The Council are asked to review its Financial Governance Statement for 2020 – 2021. (Financial Governance Statement circulated to members).	RESOLVED TO APPROVE the Financial Governance Statement for 2020-21.		
VM 171	g.	Internal Audit Report The Council are requested to note and accept The Internal Audit report of January 2021. (Distributed to members).	RESOLVED TO APPROVE the Internal Audit report for January 2021.		
VM 172	h.	 Review Standing Orders / Financial Regulations The Council is requested to discuss and decide upon revisions to its Standing Orders and Financial Regulations. (Draft revised documents distributed to members). i. Standing Orders. ii. Financial Regulations 	 i) RESOLVED TO APPROVE AND ADOPT the revised Standing Orders. ii) RESOLVED TO APPROVE AND ADOPT revised the Financial Regulations. 		

VM	i.	Risk Assessments –	Annual Review.			
173			lested to review, update if			
175		-	owing risk assessments (D			
		assessments circulat			After review RESOLVED TO APPROVE all Risk	
		i. Lone Working	eu to membersj.	Assessments		
		ii. ii. Slips and Trip	s			
		iii. iii. Manual Hand	-			
		iv. iv. Electrical Equ				
	v. v. Display Screen Equipment vi. vi. Stress					
		vii. vii. Travelling Wi				
		viii. viii. Dealing with	The Public			
		ix. Fire Procedure				
WM	j.	Financial Update			RESOLVED TO NOTE and ACCEPT the financial	
174		The Council are aske	d to note and accept the f	inancial	report up to 31.1.2021.	
		report up to 31.1.20	21 (Distributed to membe	rs).		
VM	k.	Planning Application	ns – Where Comments Ha	ve Been		
175		Requested.				
		-	d to discuss and decide if	it wishes to		
		make any comments	in relation to the Plannin	g		
		applications received		-		
		Note: recent notified	d planning decisions and o	ther planning		
			comments have not been			
			for information only).	requested		
		are shown in PART C	i or information only).			
		Ref.	Description	Beenenee	Determination	
		Rei.	Description	Response	Determination	
				Due Date		
		20/04445/500	Proposed clubhouse	5th		
		20/04146/FUL	facility to incorporate	February		
			changing rooms,	2021.		
			toilets,			
			officials rooms,			
			function room and			
			kitchen. Location		SUPPORT the application.	
			Meadowdale Academy			
			Hazelmere Avenue			
			Bedlington			
			Northumberland NE22			
			6HA			
		20/04434/FUL	Proposed two storey	11th		
			side extension, single	February		
			storey rear extension,	2021.		
			alterations and	2021.		
					No Comment	
			improvements			
			Location 22 The Crest			
			The Chesters			
			Bedlington			
			Northumberland NE22			
			6HH			
		21/00229/FUL	Proposed loft	26th		
			conversion with 2No	February		
			double pitched	2021		
			dormers to the front			
			elevation Location 15		No Comment	
			Church Lane			
			Bedlington NE22 5EL			
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Matters for Information or To Be Noted VM **RESOLVED to NOTE** 176 Section's a, b and c. Correspondence, Consultations and Invitations and the actions taken for each detailed below. Section d, Schedule of payments and receipts Section e, Other planning applications Note section f is not part of the agenda and is included for information only. Correspondence. a. Ref Brief Description From Action Taken Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Noted + Circulated 334 Northumberland County Council Local Area Council Meeting Notice + Agenda NALC Member Council Update 13 January Noted + Circulated 335 Northumberland Ass. Local Councils 2021 Briefing Programme Northumberland Ass. Local Councils 336 May Elections Update Noted + Circulated 120377400 EMG TTRO U6543 North Ridge, Noted + Circulated Northumberland County Council 337 Bedlington 120357587 TTRO U6543 Link Avenue/North 338 Northumberland County Council Noted + Circulated Ridge, Bedlington Alex Wallace 2 streetlights in Gallagher Park 339 Noted + Circulated pp County Councillor Gobin Funding Update 340 Arthritis Support **Online Arthritis Action Groups** Noted + Circulated NALC Member Council Update 15 January Noted + Circulated 341 Northumberland Ass. Local Councils 2021 Trees and Woodlands Team Leader 342 Noted + Circulated **UTCF** Planting Northumberland County Council Electoral Registration Officer (ERO) 343 & Returning Officer (RO) Noted + Circulated Local Elections Arrangements Northumberland County Council SENRUG 344 North East Transport Plan Noted + Circulated Noted + Circulated Location of two new grit bins and request to + request for 345 **County Councillor Robinson** adopt a third grit bin. additional bin added to agenda 346 Northumberland Ass. Local Councils NALC Enews 21 January 2021 Noted + Circulated Northumberland Line Re-opening 347 SENRUG Noted + Circulated Announcement HO206806 Bedlington Market Place to Noted + Circulated 348 **County Councillor Wallace** prevent unwanted parking + Added to Agenda Judith Murphy – Planning Tree Planting – Broadoaks Development Noted + Circulated 349 Northumberland County Council Bedlington - Acknowledgement **Confirmation of Gallagher Park Project** Parks and Greenspaces Team Leader 350 **Fully Funded** Noted + Circulated Northumberland County Council No contribution required from WBTC. Noted + Circulated ASB – Dr Pit Park 351 **Bedlington Resident** + Added to Agenda 352 Northumberland Ass. Local Councils Campaigning for the May Elections Noted + Circulated Noted + Circulated 353 SENRUG **SENRUG Newsletter 35** 354 Northumberland Ass. Local Councils NALC Enews 27 January 2021 Noted + Circulated Northumberland County Council **Monitoring Officer Contact Details** Noted + Circulated 355 b. **Consultations.** Details From Description Housing and Public Private Sector Housing Strategy for Comments can be submitted via email Protection Northumberland 2021-2023 Consultation to rachel.gagliano@northumberland.gov.uk

PART C – MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OR TO BE NOTED

	Northumberland County Council				Before 5	pm 14th February	2021		
с.	Invitations.								
	From	Event				Response Details	5		
	Northumberland	Feeling Co	nnected Webi	nar invitation	1	Registration open	to all		
	Communities Togethe	er 29 January	at 9:30am						
						Zoom link before the date:			
		o Bridge Northumberland-Online			https://bridgenorthumberland-				
	Northumberland CVA	11/02 @ 2	-		1	referralsession-			
			····		jan21.eventbrite.co.uk				
d.	Schedule of Payments	and Receints							
ч.	Details of payments an	•	e noted since l	ast Council upda	ate. All pa	avments gross of \	/AT.		
	Payee		Amount		Descripti		Notes		
	Fayee		£. p	_					
	Bad Apples		80.00	Christmas Tre	ee Comr	etition			
		eering I td	2,671.20	Sid the Snake					
	David Ogilvie Engineering Ltd JP&KM Bedingfield		1,820.00	Miniature Ch		Trees			
	Talk Talk Business		43.14						
	Glassfibre Flagpole Ltd		207.60		Telephone + Internet Annual Maintenance				
	Groundworks UK		-1,650.00	Neighbourho		ning Funding			
	Jo-Anne Garrick Ltd		675.00	-					
	Jo-Anne Garrick Ltd		075.00	Neighbourhood Planning Consultation Fees					
	Malcolm Wilkinson		95.00	Internal Audit Fees					
	Reay Security Limited		83.04	CCTV Charges					
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	Northumberland County Council		3,506.40	January Payroll Costs					
	Reay Security Limited		83.04	CCTV Charges					
	Reay Security Limited		809.64	CCTV Charges					
	Reay Security Limite	<u>.</u>	805.04	CCTV Charge	3				
e.	5 11								
	Where comments have not been requested.								
	Ref.	Description							
		TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL UNDER SECTION 7							
	20/00716/FUL		e of use of application site to equestrian use with erection of addock area and gates/fencing to site frontage			on of			
	20/00/10/FUL		o South Of Hartford Drive Hartford Drive Hartford Bridge Northumberla						
	21/00110/HPA	NE22 6AJ. https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/.							
	21/00110/HPA	Notification of Prior Approval: Erection of single storey extension to rear version of 2 5m, maximum height of 3 98m and total projection from rear version					-		
		eaves of 2.5m, maximum height of 3.98m and total projection from read dwelling of 5.6m 20 Barley Grove Broadoaks Bedlington Northumber					-		
	21/00326/MISC	Proposal to install 1 x BT equipment cabinet 24 Front Street East Bedlin							
		Northumberland NE22 5AA							
f.	Planning decisions notified to WBTC by NCC.								
	Ref.			Description			Decision		
	20/03257/FUL	Rear ground floor sun lounge extension, first floor bedroom and							
		bathroom extension and	creation of 2 f	ront car parking		ocation OF	CDANT		
	1 1	extension and creation of 2 front car parking spaces Location 95GRANTEDHartlands Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6JQGRANTED							
		Hartlands Bedl	ington Northu	mberland NE22	elq				

			Lowered eaves and ridge heights, minor amendments to proposed levels of rear gardens, addition of single rooflight to rear roof pitch (all dwellings); amended internal boundary separating rear gardens of plots 5 and 6, amendment of internal layout and window arrangement to plot 6 (now shown as house type 2B) to include substitution of pair of French doors to 1F rear elevation in place of single window and reconfigured master bedroom suite Location Land North Of Quarry House Nedderton Village Northumberland						
		20/04067/FELTPO	Chestnut - Fell, G4 - Group of x 2 s ground level, G5 - Group of x 6 Lir T2 - Yew - crown lift to 5m above	ee Preservation Order application: G2 - Group of x 2 Cherry - fell, T1 - estnut - Fell, G4 - Group of x 2 Sycamore - crown lift to 5m above ound level, G5 - Group of x 6 Lime - crown lift to 5m above ground level, - Yew - crown lift to 5m above ground level. Location Howard House ue House Farm Road Netherton Colliery NE22 6BB					
VM 177	g.	Police Report. No Police Report for th	his meeting						
VM 178	h.	Financial Update / Bank Reconciliation.							
		Ma	tter to be noted.	Determination					
		reconciliation of £2	ted to note checked bank 93,186.41 as of 31 st January 2021 unt Balance of £100,441.71 as of	The Council NOTED the bank reconciliation.					
VM 179	Matters for Information Only								
		Any matters that members would like to bring to the attention of other members and residents. For Information only no proposals or voting on these matters.							
		Councillor Graham	tation for Tuesday 23 rd February 2021						
		Councillor Thompson	Westlea Cemetery Waterlo	<u> </u>					
VM 180		Meeting Close and Date of Next Meeting.RESOLVED The next schedule meeting of West Bedlington Town Council will be on Thursday 11th March 2021 at6.30pm. Details to be advertised in advance.							
		The Chair closed the meeting at 7.34pm							

WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS:

Dawn Crosby, David Graham, Paul Hedley, Cath Henderson, Adam Hogg, Christine Taylor, Victoria Thompson, Mike Trimming, Jim Tyler.

Signed by Chair

Date