



Ashington Town Council
Town Hall, 65 Station Road
Ashington
Northumberland
NE63 8RX

18th November 2024

To all Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Full Council Meeting of Ashington Town Council, at **THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 65 STATION ROAD, NE63 8RX, on Tuesday 26th November, commencing at 6:00pm.**

The agenda for the meeting is set out below, along with supporting documents. If you have any questions about any of the items on the agenda, please contact the office.

The meeting is open to the press and public.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Eden'.

Sarah Eden
Executive Officer

1. WELCOME BY THE CHAIR

Welcome by Cllr Mark Purvis.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.

Members are also reminded that they need to regularly review their declarations of interest forms and ensure they remain up to date.

4. DISPENSATIONS

To receive and consider any dispensations.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair to receive any items put forward by members of the public and to put questions to or draw relevant matters to the attention of the Council. This is for a period of 15 minutes overall and is limited to 3 minutes per person.

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Please email/telephone the Clerk with questions on items on the agenda no later than 5.00pm on Monday 23rd September 2024.

6. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

To receive and sign as a true record, the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Tuesday 24th September 2024 (enc)ⁱ Please note these minutes were circulated and uploaded to the website in October.

7. REPORT FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM

To receive a report from Inspector Wayne Daniels (to follow)ⁱⁱ

8. REPORT FROM THE CIVIC HEAD OF ASHINGTON (CLLR CAROLINE BALL)

To receive a verbal report from the Civic Head of Ashington.

9. AMENDED TERMS OF REFERENCE – PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

To approve the amendment to the Personnel Committee Terms of Reference in respect of Membership, in keeping with agreement at Full Council meeting in September, Minute Reference: FC2425/61d (enc)ⁱⁱⁱ

10. AMENDED TERMS OF REFERENCE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

To approve an amendment to the Climate Change and Environment (CCE) Committee Terms of Reference in respect of Membership, in accordance with the proposal from the CCE Committee October meeting (enc)^{iv}

11. CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

To agree to receive the draft report of the meeting held on 29th October 2024 (enc)^v

12. DRAFT RESERVES POLICY

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, and Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England, to receive a Draft Reserves Policy, and agree to adopt for Ashington Town Council (enc)^{vi}

13. PHASE 3 MEADOW VALE, ASHINGTON STREET NAMING CONSULTATION

To receive suggestions for street names for phase 3 (plots 266-425), and agree a response to NCC (enc)^{vii}

14. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Members are invited to consider passing the following resolution:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items, permitted under Section 1 (2) LGA 1960, due to the confidential nature of the business being transacted.

15. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

a) 24/25 Pay Deal and Salary Progression

To agree to receive the draft report of the meeting held on 12th November 2024 (enc)^{viii} and to endorse actions taken in accordance with the NJC Pay Deal, and backdated pay to April 2024, and to endorse salary scale progression made in accordance with the progression of staff who are on the NJC salary scale within their respective scales and subject to automatic annual increments, effective 1st April 2025.

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b) Salary Scale Progression (not automatic)

To receive the recommendation of the Personnel Committee in respect of staff who have reached the maximum point in the current NJC salary scale, with progression previously automatic based on satisfactory performance. To agree new salary scale or adjustments as appropriate (*to follow from Personnel Committee*)^{ix}

16. DATE, TIME, AND VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 28th January 2025, 6:00pm at Town Hall.

ENCLOSURES

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- ⁱ Draft Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24th September 2024
 - ⁱⁱ Report from Inspector Wayne Daniels
 - ⁱⁱⁱ Revised TOR/Membership Personnel Committee
 - ^{iv} Revised TOR/Membership Climate Change & Environment Committee
 - ^v Draft Report of CCE Committee, 29th October 2024
 - ^{vi} Draft Reserves Policy (November 2024)
 - ^{vii} Street Naming
 - ^{viii} Draft Report of Personnel Committee, 12th November 2024
 - ^{ix} **P&C Not Automatic Progression (from Personnel Committee)**

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