



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

22<sup>nd</sup> July 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 30th July, 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**

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**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 29<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

## **6. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

To receive and sign as a true record, the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (enc)<sup>i</sup>

## **7. REPORT FROM THE CIVIC HEAD OF ASHINGTON (CLLR CAROLINE BALL)**

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

## **8. REPORT FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (CLLR JOHN TULLY)**

To receive a verbal report from the Leader of the Town Council.

## **9. YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **a) Report of Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

To receive the report and note recommendations (enc)<sup>ii</sup>

### **b) Revised Terms of Reference (TOR)**

To receive updated TOR to include the addition of ‘taking an inspiration-driven approach to youth engagement when needed, prioritising innovation, flexibility, and youth agency over decision-making, resulting in experimental programmes and ideas.’ (enc)<sup>iii</sup>

### **c) Youth Forum**

To agree to commence set-up of a Cllr-Led Youth Forum, enlisting the support of Ashington members of the Northumberland VCS Young People’s Network to seek interest from the young people they engage with, as well as using direct means of engagement via our own media, and to host the inaugural event at Ashington AFC on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024, commencing at 5:00pm.

### **d) Summer Tuesday Market Activities**

To agree to delegate spending of £2,000 to the Communication and Engagement Officer to commission children’s entertainers and/or activities at Tuesday market days throughout the summer holidays, from the Events and Engagement budget.

### **e) Holiday Activities**

To agree to delegate spending of £6,000 to the Youth Advisory Committee, for spending on activities for young people during October half-term, Christmas holidays, and February half-term, from the Youth Funding budget.

## **10. TOWN TWINNING VISIT**

To receive proposed plans for visit to Ashington and Newbiggin by Remscheid between Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October and Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October, to agree plans and budget of £400 from Events and Engagement to support activities throughout the visit (enc)<sup>iv</sup>

## **11. POLLING DISTRICT AND POLLING PLACE STRATEGIC REVIEW**

To receive formal notice of the commencement of the review of polling districts and polling places in Northumberland:

- a) To formally receive the notice of the review which sets out the consultation timetable and how representation and comments can be made (enc)<sup>v</sup>
- b) To formally receive a link to the interactive map of the existing and proposed polling districts and polling places <https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/elections.aspx>
- c) To formally receive a copy of the Acting Returning Officer comments on the current and proposed arrangements (online version only)<sup>vi</sup>

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## **12. DATE, TIME, AND VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024, 6:00pm at Town Hall

### **ENCLOSURES**

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- i Draft Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- ii Youth Advisory Committee – Report of meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- iii Youth Advisory Committee - Revised TOR
- iv Town Twinning – Proposed Plans
- v Polling District Summary
- vi Polling District and Polling Place Review 2024

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