

Minutes of the West Bedlington Town Councils Services Committee Meeting held at Bedlington Community Centre, Front Street West, Bedlington. on Thursday 25th November 2021 at 6.30pm.



**WEST BEDLINGTON
TOWN COUNCIL**

PART A - ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

Min Ref		Attendance / Apologies and Declarations of Interests.	Determination
S21/120		In Attendance	Councillors Hedley, Hogg, Reed, Taylor, Thompson, Todd, D Wallace and R Wallace. Town Clerk Steven Young and 2 (Two) members of the public.
S21/121	a.	Apologies for Absence. i. To receive and note any apologies for absence from Councillors ii. To consider and determine any dispensations for absent Councillors.	i. Apologies for absence were NOTED for Councillor Crosby. ii. There were no dispensations for absence for this meeting.
S21/122	b.	Declaration of Interests. i. Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest, (which includes any 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.	i. There were no declarations of interest for this meeting. ii. No dispensations 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
S21/123	a.	To agree and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous West Bedlington Town Council Services Meeting held on 28 th October 2021.	RESOLVED that the minutes of the West Bedlington Town Council Services Committee held on 28 th October 2021 are APPROVED as a true record.
S21/124	b.	To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not included as agenda items	There were no matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 28 th October 2021.

2. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / DECISION

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S21/125	a.	<p>Bedding Plants – Red Lion Roundabout. Deferred agenda item from Services Committee meeting held on 28th October 2021. The Committee are requested to discuss and decide upon a request from Northumberland County Councils Neighbourhood Services Team to reduce the overall size of the bedding planting on The Red Lion Roundabout and to use the excess plants in another Bedlington location – to be determined by this Committee. (Request and additional information distributed to members).</p>	<p>RESOLVED not to agree to reduce the overall size of the bedding planting on The Red Lion Roundabout and to retain the size of the floral feature as a focal point for the town.</p>												
S21/126	b.	<p>Working Groups / Committees (items for decision or discussion). Planning Working Group Planning Applications – Considered by Planning Working Group - Where Comments Have Been Requested. After considering any recommendation of its Planning Working Group, The Council are asked to discuss and decide if it wishes to make any comments in relation to the Planning applications received for comment</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Ref.</th> <th>Description</th> <th>Response Due Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>21/04324/FUL</td> <td>Rear elevation single storey conservatory. Location 7 The Crest The Chesters Bedlington NE22 6HH</td> <td>25th November 2021.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>21/04298/REM</td> <td>Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for final phases of development comprising of 315 dwellings on approved application 16/04731/OUT Location Land South West Of Glebe Farm Choppington Road Bedlington Northumberland.</td> <td>7th December 2021.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Ref.	Description	Response Due Date	21/04324/FUL	Rear elevation single storey conservatory. Location 7 The Crest The Chesters Bedlington NE22 6HH	25th November 2021.	21/04298/REM	Reserved Matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for final phases of development comprising of 315 dwellings on approved application 16/04731/OUT Location Land South West Of Glebe Farm Choppington Road Bedlington Northumberland.	7th December 2021.	<p>RESOLVED as per determinations below.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Determination</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>No Comment</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBJECTION SUBMITTED</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Determination	No Comment	OBJECTION SUBMITTED
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PART C – MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OR TO BE NOTED

Matters for Information or To Be Noted (not for decision)		
S21/127	a.	Bus Shelters
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed O No further update for this meeting.
		2 Any member updates. No Members Update
S21/128	b.	Defibrillators
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hosting venues contact details have been given to electrician to arrange site surveys re electrical installation for cabinets. ○ Defibrillators reported as been “used” 9 times since the last meeting.
		2 Any Member Updates. No Members Update
S21/129	c.	CCTV
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed O Northumbria Police expected to attend 9 th December 2021 Full Council meeting.
		2 Any member updates No Members Update
S21/130	d.	Environmental
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed ○ No further update for this meeting.
		2 Any member updates No Members Update
S21/131	e.	Litter Bins
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed ○ Awaiting on delivery of replacement bins
		2 Any member updates No Members Update
S21/132	f.	Play Areas
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed ○ Minor repairs at Meadowdale Play Area ordered
		2 Any member updates No Members Update
S21/133	g.	Public Seats
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed ○
		2 Any member updates Councillor D Wallace reported that the seat on 20 Acre had been bent back. The Clerk has already arranged a repair.
S21/134	h.	Public Sun Dial.
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No further update for this meeting. ○ Reminder members who have not already responded to the invitation to attend the inauguration to do so without delay.
		2 Any Member Updates. No Members Update
S21/135	i.	School Art in Bus Shelters.
		1 Work In Progress / Recently Completed ○ St.Bedes have supplied their art work, all other schools to submit theirs imminently
		2 Any Member Updates. No Members Update

S21/136	j.	Speed Reduction Signs.		
		1	Work In Progress / Recently Completed	o No further update for this meeting.
		2	Any Member Updates.	Councillor Taylor – Northumberland County Council have refused an application to install speed reduction signs for Bedlington Bank.
S21/137	k.	War Memorial.		
		1	Work In Progress / Recently Completed	o No further update for this meeting. o Spotlight not working correctly – NCC to resolve
		2	Any Member Updates.	No Members Update
Items a. to k - All updates NOTED				
S21/138	l.	Any other information in relation to Services (not covered on agenda) 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. o None for this meeting.		
S21/139	m.	Date of Next Meeting. RESOLVED The next meeting of the Services Committee will be on Thursday 27 th January 2022 (unless any urgent business arises ahead of the scheduled meeting) at 6.30pm in Bedlington Community Centre, Front Street West, Bedlington. Agenda for this meeting to be issued on Wednesday 19 th January 2022.		
S21/140		The Chair suspended Standing Orders at 7.05pm to receive a presentation from Bluefield Renewable Developments - upcoming public consultation event for the proposed solar farm on land adjacent to Burnt House Farm, Nedderton Village, Northumberland, NE22 6AZ.		
S21/141		The Chair resumed the meeting at 7.35pm		

PART D – EXEMPT BUSINESS.

That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

		Matters for Discussion / Decision	Determination
S21/142	a.	Bedlington Community Centre.	RESOLVED to note the verbal update provided by The Clerk and to receive monthly updates to the Committee.

WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS:

Bill Crosby, Paul Hedley, Adam Hogg, Wendy Reed, Christine Taylor, Victoria Thompson, Jayne Todd, Di Wallace, and Russ Wallace.

Signed by Chair

Date