



ALNWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor

Clerk to Council

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6th December 2013

The next meeting of the Council will be held on **Thursday 12th December 2013** in The Council Chamber, Clayport Street, Alnwick at **7.00pm**. You are hereby requested to attend.

Yours faithfully

Bill Batey
Clerk to Town Council

Agenda

1. Questions from the Public
2. Apologies
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Minutes of the Last meeting – 14th November 2013
5. Matters Arising
6. Mayor's Report
7. Core Strategy Consultation
8. Comments on proposed new Fire Station
9. Feedback on Meeting with Northumberland Estates
10. Neighbourhood Plan Update
11. Minutes of the Committees
 - a) Planning Committee Meeting (14th November 2013)
 - b) Cemetery Committee Meeting (28th November 2013)
 - c) Recreation & Amenities Meeting (28th November 2013)
 - d) Finance & Policy Committee Meeting (5th December 2013)
- Recommendation regarding Fees and Charges 2014/15**
12. Correspondence
13. Feedback Local Multi-agency Crime Prevention Initiative Meeting
14. Financial Matters – Payments
15. Councillor Issues – Councillor Castle – Condition of Public Spaces
16. Any Other Urgent Business

Declarations of Interest

To receive disclosures of pecuniary interests from Councillors, on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If you become aware, during the course of the meeting, of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item you must immediately disclose it.

Agenda item 6**Mayor's Report**

An update on the mayor's diary can be obtained at <http://alnwickmayor.wordpress.com/>

Agenda item 7

Northumberland County Council has released its Housing, Employment and Green Belt preferred options consultation. This runs until 2nd January 2014. At the last meeting Councillors agreed to receive a fuller report at this meeting incorporating comments from the Alnwick & Denwick Neighbourhood Plan team. The Alnwick & Denwick Neighbourhood Plan team are considering their comments on 17th December and as a result will submit their comments independently. The Clerk will circulate draft comments for the Council to consider.

Recommendation: Comments be agreed for submission

Agenda item 8**Comments on proposed new Fire Station**

Following a presentation at the last meeting by the Chief Fire Officer, the clerk will circulate a proposed response to the consultation.

Recommendation: Comments be agreed for submission

Agenda item 9**Feedback on Meeting with Northumberland Estates**

On 26th November the Mayor and Clerk had their regular update meeting with Colin Barnes representing Northumberland Estates. A summary of the update will be given.

Agenda item 12**Correspondence**

The following correspondence has been received since the last meeting:

Date	Detail	Action if any
19 Nov	NCC – letter Development Control moving from Allerburn House to Greenwell Lane	To note
21 Nov	NCC map of gritting routes	Available from the clerk on request
27 Nov	NALC e news	Available from the clerk on request
28 Nov	Documents from Transfer of Swansfield Park Play Area to Town Council	To be signed
29 Nov	CANNY e news	Available from the clerk on request
29 Nov	NALC Council Tax Benefit Support Grant Update	Available from the clerk on request

Recommendation: That the correspondence received be considered.

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Financial Matters –Payments

The following invoices have been received for payment (as at 6th December); this list will be updated at the meeting, if necessary.

HMRC	£1893.86	Tax/NI payment for Nov
Wages Account	£4000	
Argyle Planning Consultancy Ltd	£2030	Neighbourhood Plan Consultancy
Northumberland County Council	£45.17	Relocation of Dog Bin
David Orange	£350	Tree Survey Cemetery
Black Olive	£50	Buffet – Neighbourhood Plan seminar (paid 5/12)
Northumberland County Council	£62.99	Mechanical Sweep of Cemetery Drive
Northumbria Fencing	£420	Fencing St Georges Allotments
WR Batey	£282.80	Printer cartridges £244.80, Postage £38
Northumbria In Bloom	£200	In Bloom Entry fee (paid 20/11)
CBS Ltd	£41.50	Envelopes
Johnston Publishing	£178.80	Job Advert
M Weatheritt	£300	Works to Cemetery Wall
Greenlay (Grass Machinery Ltd)	£125.99	Filter Housing
Alnwick Cricket Club	£75	Book Booking – Away Day
TOTAL	£10,056.11	

The following payments are now paid by direct debit and are reported for information		
BT	£66.87	phone bills cemetery and cemetery lodge paid 28 th Nov 13

The following grants were approved for payment by the Finance and Policy Committee on 5th December:

Alnwick and District Playhouse Trust	£1,250
Alnwick & District Camera Club	£300
Northumberland Touring Theatre Company	£500
Alnwick Community Centre	£500
Alnwick Branch of Arthritis Care	£125
Alnwick Young Peoples Association	£500
Lionheart Radio & Media	£500
Alnwick and District CAB	£900
Alnwick Civic Society	£250
Hospice Care North Northumberland	£1000
Alnwick & District Sports Council	£350
2 nd Alnwick Rangers	£250
Alnwick Town FC	£350*
Carers Northumberland	£500
Alnwick Age Concern Bowling Club	£250
Alnwick Amateur Boxing Club	£350*
Choysez	£250

Two of the grants marked with an Asterisk are dependent on satisfactory accounts being produced and an additional grant award to RENUIT will be either £300 or £350 depending on the accounts produced.

Recommendation: To approve and authorise the above payments amounting to £10,056.11, to note the direct debit payments of £66.87 and to authorise the grant payments.

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Councillor Issues

Councillor Castle wishes to raise the condition of public parks including Swansfield Park, following correspondence with a resident.