



ALNWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor

Clerk to Council

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7th February 2014

The next meeting of the Council will be held on **Thursday 13th February 2014** in the Council Chambers, 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. Presentation by Inspector Paul Truscott
5. Minutes of the Last meeting – 16th January 2014
6. Matters Arising
7. Mayor's Report
8. Car Parking Update
9. Proposed Town Spring Clean
10. Minutes of the Committees
 - a) Planning Committee Meeting (16th January 2014)
 - b) Cemetery Committee (30th January 2014)
 - c) Recreation & Amenities Committee (30th January 2014)
11. Correspondence
12. Feedback Local Multi-agency Crime Prevention Initiative Meeting
13. Financial Matters – Payments
14. Any Other Urgent Business

In Private

15. The co-option of a new Town Councillor
16. New Storage requirement for the Council's stage and Community Festivals

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 4**Presentation by Inspector Paul Truscott**

Inspector Paul Truscott will address the Council and update on policing matters in the town.

Agenda item 7**Mayor's Report**

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

Agenda item 8**Car Parking Update**

Northumberland County Council are progressing plans for free parking in the town and have invited up to 6 people from the town, to a meeting at County Hall on the 28th February 2014 at 10am to discuss the free parking for all plans and where they are up to at the minute. It is suggested the meeting be attended by the Clerk, 4 Councillors and a representative from the Chamber of Trade.

Recommendation: That the attendees are agreed.

Agenda item 9**Proposed Town Spring Clean**

Councillor Broom has suggested that consideration be given to an organised spring clean of the town before Easter. Such an event could for example, involve volunteers litter picking and tidying up, as well as businesses owners getting their premises ready for the season. Support could also be encouraged from Northumberland County Council and other volunteer groups operating in the town, such as Alnwick in Bloom and Alnwick Friends of the Earth. The Easter weekend is 18th-20th April and perhaps a possible date is Sunday 6th April at the start of the school holidays.

Recommendation: Councillors consider the proposal.

Agenda item 11**Correspondence**

The following correspondence has been received since the last meeting:

Date	Detail	Action if any
22 Jan	NCC – Letter re NCC savings for 14/15	Available from the clerk on request
24 Jan	NCC – introduction of local Alnwick number for contacting NCC (01665 660733)	Councillors to note
28 Jan	Information Commissioner – confirmation of data protection registration	Councillors to note
28 Jan	NCC Queens Baton Relay Announcement	Councillors to note
3 Feb	SEN Magistrates -Thank you for supporting the Mock Trial Competition and inviting any Councillors to attend on 15 th March	Councillors to consider

Recommendation: That the correspondence received be considered.

Agenda item 13

Financial Matters –Payments

The following invoices have been received for payment (as at 7th February); this list will be updated at the meeting, if necessary.

HMRC	£1052.74	Tax/NI payment for Dec
Wages Account	£4000	
CBS World	£12.48	Photocopying
npower	£445.24	Electricity – Cemetery Chapel (paid 20 th Jan)
James N McLean	£14.52	Drill bit and bolts
Urban Hygiene Ltd	£36.95	Graffiti wipes
WR Batey	£22.20	Postage
RV Roger	£364.50	New Trees for Cemetery
TOTAL	£5,948.63	

In addition, within the 2013/14 budget the Alnwick Show was awarded £500, and at the recent Recreation and Amenities Committee Groundwork North east were awarded £1,000 towards initial scheme costs for the Alnwick Cycle Track and £150 was agreed to be paid to the Magna Carta Barons Association towards the first phase of the Heritage Lottery Fund for the national Magna Carta anniversary costs.

The following payments are now paid by direct debit and are reported for information		
BT	£98.49	phone bills cemetery and cemetery lodge paid 28 th Jan 14
npower	£69.56	Electricity - cemetery

Recommendations: To approve and authorise the above payments amounting to £7,598.63 and to note the direct debit payments of £168.05.