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Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND LOCAL AREA COUNCIL** to be held at County Hall on **THURSDAY, 24 JUNE 2021 at 3.00 PM.**

Yours faithfully

Daljit Lally
Chief Executive

To North Northumberland Local Area Council members as follows:-

G Castle (Chair), S Bridgett (Vice-Chair), C Hardy (Vice-Chair (Planning)), T Clark, G Hill, I Hunter, G Mather, W Pattison, G Renner-Thompson, C Seymour, M Swinbank, T Thorne and J Watson

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AGENDA

PART I

It is expected that the matters included in this part of the agenda will be dealt with in public.

1. MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

The committee is asked to note the following membership and terms of reference for the North Northumberland Local Area Council which were agreed by Council on 26 May 2021.

The membership is made up of the county councillors who represent the 13 electoral divisions in the North Northumberland area:

Chair: G Castle Vice Chair: S Bridgett; Vice Chair (Planning): C Hardy

Quorum - 4

Conservative: G Castle, C Hardy, M Mather, W Pattison, G Renner-Thompson,
C Seymour, T Thorne, J Watson

Labour: T Clark

Green Party: M Swinbank

Liberal Democrat: I Hunter

Independents (Non grouped): S Bridgett, G Hill

Terms of reference

(1) To enhance good governance in the area and ensure that the Council's policies take account of the needs and aspirations of local communities and do not discriminate unfairly between the different Areas.

(2) To advise the Cabinet on budget priorities and expenditure within the Area.

(3) To consider, develop and influence policy and strategy development of the Council, its arms-length organisations, and other relevant bodies, to ensure that they meet local requirements and facilitate efficient and transparent decision making.

(4) To receive information, consider and comment on matters associated with service delivery including those undertaken in partnership agencies, affecting the local area to ensure that they meet local requirements, including matters relating to community safety, anti- social behaviour and environmental crime.

(5) To consider and refer to Cabinet any issues from a local community perspective with emerging Neighbourhood Plans within their area, and consider local planning applications as per the planning delegation

scheme.

(6) To consider and recommend adjustments to budget priorities in relation to Local Transport Plan issues within their area, and to make decisions in relation to devolved capital highway maintenance allocations.

(7) To engage, through the appropriate networks, with all key stakeholders from the public, private, voluntary and community sectors to facilitate the delivery of area priorities. This will include undertaking regular liaison with parish and town councils. (8) To inform, consult and engage local communities in accordance with Council policy and guidance, through the appropriate networks.

(9) To, as appropriate, respond or refer with recommendations to local petitions and councillor calls for action.

(10) To make certain appointments to outside bodies as agreed by Council.

(11) To determine applications for grant aid from the Community Chest, either through Panels for individual Local Area Councils, or through the Panel of Local Area Council Chairs for countywide applications.

(12) To refer and receive appropriate issues for consideration to or from other Council Committees, and as appropriate invite Portfolio Holders to attend a meeting if an item in their area of responsibility is to be discussed.

(13) To exercise the following functions within their area:-

(a) the Council's functions in relation to the survey, definition, maintenance, diversion, stopping up and creation of public rights of way.

(b) the Council's functions as the Commons Registration Authority for common land and town/village greens in Northumberland.

(c) the Council's functions in relation to the preparation and maintenance of the Rights of Way Improvement Plan.

(d) the Council's functions in relation to the Northumberland National Park and County Joint Local Access Forum (Local Access Forums (England) Regulations 2007).

(e) the Council's role in encouraging wider access for all to the County's network of public rights of way and other recreational routes.

2. MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE - NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND RIGHTS OF WAY SUBCOMMITTEE

To appoint 6 members to the North Northumberland Local Area Council (Rights of Way) Subcommittee, to elect a Chair and Vice Chair, and to confirm the membership and terms of reference, following the creation and delegation of powers to it by the North Northumberland Local Area Council in November 2018.

Six members drawn from the membership of the North Northumberland Local Area Council. Balance 4:1:1 (4 Conservative, 1 Independent, 1 Labour/Liberal Democrat/ Green Party).

Terms of reference: To exercise functions in relation to the survey, definition, maintenance, diversion, stopping up and creation of public rights of way in the north Northumberland area, on behalf of the North Northumberland Local Area Council.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 4. MINUTES** (Pages 1 - 6)
- Minutes of the meeting of the North Northumberland Local Area Council held on Thursday 22 April 2021 as circulated, to be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.
- 5. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**
- 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 4 July 2012, and are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature (as defined under paragraph 17 of the Code Conduct) they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room. NB Any member needing clarification must contact the monitoring officer by email at monitoringofficer@northumberland.gov.uk . Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.
- 6. DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS** (Pages 7 - 10)
- To request the committee to decide the planning applications attached to this report using the powers delegated to it.
- Please note that printed letters of objection/support are no longer circulated with the agenda but are available on the Council's website at <http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Planning.aspx>*
- 7. 20/01155/S106A** (Pages 11 - 18)
- Variation of S106 agreement pursuant to planning application N/99/B/0848 dated 19.02.2002.
Land at Mitchell Avenue, Seahouses.
- 8. 20/02501/FULES** (Pages 19 - 48)
- Proposed river restoration scheme comprising - removal of existing ford crossing and replace with new gravel ford; regrading of 400m of canalised section of river; remove fish pass; creation of inset floodplain; construction of new replacement pedestrian footbridge; removal of upstream check weirs – minor widening of approach to Coldgate Mill Ford crossing.
Land North West of Haugh Head Crossing Cottage, Wooler.
Northumberland.
- 9. APPEALS UPDATE** (Pages 49 - 58)
- For Members' information to report the progress of planning appeals. This

is a monthly report and relates to appeals throughout all 5 Local Area Council Planning Committee areas and covers appeals of Strategic Planning Committee. (**Attached as Appendix B**).

10. SECTION 106 UPDATE

(Pages
59 - 62)

For Members' information to report the agreement monitoring and collection of s106 contributions in the planning process. This is a monthly report and relates to agreements throughout Northumberland during the previous monthly period. (**Attached as Appendix C**).

11. URGENT BUSINESS

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 22 July at 3.00 pm

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE:

- Declare it and give details of its nature before the matter is discussion or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- Complete this sheet and pass it to the Democratic Services Officer.

Name (please print):
Meeting:
Date:
Item to which your interest relates:
Nature of Registerable Personal Interest i.e either disclosable pecuniary interest (as defined by Annex 2 to Code of Conduct or other interest (as defined by Annex 3 to Code of Conduct) (please give details):
Nature of Non-registerable Personal Interest (please give details):
Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?

1. Registerable Personal Interests – You may have a Registerable Personal Interest if the issue being discussed in the meeting:

a) relates to any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined by Annex 1 to the Code of Conduct); or

b) any other interest (as defined by Annex 2 to the Code of Conduct)

The following interests are Disclosable Pecuniary Interests if they are an interest of either you or your spouse or civil partner:

(1) Employment, Office, Companies, Profession or vocation; (2) Sponsorship; (3) Contracts with the Council; (4) Land in the County; (5) Licences in the County; (6) Corporate Tenancies with the Council; or (7) Securities - interests in Companies trading with the Council.

The following are other Registerable Personal Interests:

(1) any body of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management) to which you are appointed or nominated by the Council; (2) any body which (i) exercises functions of a public nature or (ii) has charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management); or (3) any person from whom you have received within the previous three years a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of more than £50 which is attributable to your position as an elected or co-opted member of the Council.

2. Non-registerable personal interests - You may have a non-registerable personal interest when you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are, or ought reasonably to be, aware that a decision in relation to an item of business which is to be transacted might reasonably be regarded as affecting your well being or financial position, or the well being or financial position of a person described below to a greater extent than most inhabitants of the area affected by the decision.

The persons referred to above are: (a) a member of your family; (b) any person with whom you have a close association; or (c) in relation to persons described in (a) and (b), their employer, any firm in which they are a partner, or company of which they are a director or shareholder.

3. Non-participation in Council Business

When you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are aware that the criteria set out below are satisfied in relation to any matter to be considered, or being considered at that meeting, you must : (a) Declare that fact to the meeting; (b) Not participate (or further participate) in any discussion of the matter at the meeting; (c) Not participate in any vote (or further vote) taken on the matter at the meeting; and (d) Leave the room whilst the matter is being discussed.

The criteria for the purposes of the above paragraph are that: (a) You have a registerable or non-registerable personal interest in the matter which is such that a member of the public knowing the relevant facts would reasonably think it so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest; **and either** (b) the matter will affect the financial position of yourself or one of the persons or bodies referred to above or in any of your register entries; **or** (c) the matter concerns a request for any permission, licence, consent or registration sought by yourself or any of the persons referred to above or in any of your register entries.

This guidance is not a complete statement of the rules on declaration of interests which are contained in the Members' Code of Conduct. If in any doubt, please consult the Monitoring Officer or relevant Democratic Services Officer before the meeting.