

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

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At the meeting of the **North Northumberland Local Area Council** held at Meeting Space - Block 1, Floor 2 - County Hall on Thursday, 23 September 2021 at 3.00 pm.

PRESENT

G Castle (Chair) (in the Chair)

MEMBERS

T Clark
G Hill
M Mather
G Renner-Thompson
M Swinbank
J Watson

C Hardy
I Hunter
W Pattison
C Seymour
T Thorne

OTHER COUNCILLORS

OFFICERS

J Blenkinsopp
G Bucknall
V Cartmell

B Hodgson
J Hudson
T Kirsop
D Laux
L Little
S Pearson
J Sharp
G Younger

Solicitor
Highways Delivery Area Manager
Planning Area Manager - Development
Management
Neighbourhood Services Area Manager
Planning Officer
Community Regeneration Manager
Head of Technical Services
Senior Democratic Services Officer
Senior Manager, Specialist Services
Planning Officer
Accommodation Lead

Around 3 members of the press and public were present.

43 **PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT A PLANNING COMMITTEE**

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

44 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor S Bridgett.

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45 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the North Northumberland Local Area Council held on Thursday 19 August 2021, as circulated, be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

46 **DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Councillor Swinbank advised that he had a disclosable pecuniary interest in planning application 21/02608/VARYCO and he would leave the room while the application was being considered.

47 **POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE**

Inspector John Swan, and Sergeants Les Robson and Paul Sykes from the Neighbourhood Policing Teams were in attendance to provide an update on policing and community safety within the North Northumberland area. Information was noted as follows:-

Berwick

- 1314 incidents had been recorded within the Berwick area 852 of which were in relation to Berwick town centre and the night time economy with very low figures in the more rural areas. Figures had peaked in the summer season which was thought to be due to visitors to the caravan parks in the area. Violet crime and disorder had reduced compared to the previous year.
- Reports of antisocial behaviour (ASB) had increased in March due to the lifting of the lockdown. Youth and alcohol ASB had increased in the town centre due to youths congregating and Op Inhibit had been created in the area to work with police colleagues in Scotland to target the problem areas especially on a Friday and Saturday night, with ASB reducing during the summer because of the visible presence.
- With the full reopening of the night time economy within Berwick additional resources had been drafted in to assist with issues and working in partnership with other organisations there had been a significant improvement.
- Operation Beach Watch had been brought in over the summer months due to the increased number of visitors to the area to provide a visible presence in areas of high foot fall, which had been successful.
- Op Acorn was an engagement initiative which had also been introduced within the more rural areas.
- Berwick was a safe place to live with lower crime rates than other areas covered by Northumbria Police.

Alnwick

- 4651 incidents had been reported, 3208 within the Alnwick area and 1443 in the Rothbury area, with 708 in relation to public safety, 269 transport related, 220 crime related and 173 ASB.

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- Crime levels were comparable with figures from 2019 with a slight increase in July/August which coincided with school holidays, with a spike in ASB incidents within Alwick.
- ASB was dealt with by a multi-pronged approach working with Housing, Social Services and diverting youths into sporting groups, ring leaders were identified and parents visited, with some success. Good quality CCTV had been installed by the Town Council around the bus station. Incidents related to the night time economy were lower with the pub watch scheme being utilised.
- Work was undertaken with other forces in relation to rural crime during night time operations.
- Coastal engagement had been undertaken in partnership with other agencies as the number of visitors had increased in relation to wild camping, walking, litter, parking etc., which had been well received.
- areas and lots of work and regular contact was undertaken with other partners to ensure this was the case.
- Operation Hawkeye had also been introduced to tackle rural crime with an Inspector and 5 officers which provided an extra resource.

Amble

- 1476 incidents had been reported in the Amble area, which was low in comparison to other areas with the majority in relation to public safety and welfare. Crime incidents were 376 and ASB 356 and when compared to the previous 2 years, reported incidents were less. The majority of crimes were in the violence without injury (Common Assault) category, which included the fear of being assaulted without any assault actually taking place.
- Crime within Amble had reduced over the last 3 years due to the work that had been undertaken including to address ASB in the Church Street/Queen Street area specifically in relation to a bus stop.
- Public perception was that there was an issue with drugs and related violence but this was not supported by the crime figures, however due to these concerns Op Watchtower had been introduced with additional resources put into Amble with stop and searches undertaken and vehicles uplifted for various offences.
- There was an issue with increased canoeists, paddleboarders and drones at the restricted Coquet Island and work was being undertaken with the Wardens to see how the Neighbourhood Team could help.
- With the resurgence of the night time economy following the opening after lockdown and linked to the perceived drug problem increased walk throughs were being undertaken and working with licensing and pubwatch to address issues.
- The potential to bring to Amble the Communities Together Programme, which had been used in Blyth, was being explored which would work with households etc to build trust.
- A lot of work had been done in Amble and this would continue.

In response to questions from Councillors the following information was provided:-

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- Figures were not available at the meeting on outcomes of reported incidents. Positive action was always taken if there was a police attendance and incidents were dealt with appropriately and proportionately. It was the CPS who decided if there would be any prosecution.
- All incidents reported either by dialling 999 or 101 went to the control room and would be given a grading through a threat harm and risk assessment. All crimes reported were investigated proportionately which meant that whilst in the past a police officer would have automatically attended a low level incident to gather information, crime details would now be taken by telephone, which was a better use of resources. Northumbria Police (had been the last force to introduce this way of working. An officer would attend all incidents which were identified as needing an initial response through the threat harm and risk assessment, if an officer was not required then incidents would go to the telephone investigation unit for details to be taken. Once all the crime details had been received if there was an investigative opportunity then it would go to the Special Investigation Unit. All crimes were investigated and there would never be an occasion when the response would be “we’re too busy”, and the specific incident referred to by the Councillor would be discussed outside of the meeting. Before any crime was closed down it would be looked at to make sure there was no further action required.
- All forces have to adhere to Home Office guidelines, and as much as a member of the public would wish a charge to be brought, if an out of court disposal could be used due to the nature of the crime and previous good behaviour of the person involved, then that was what had to happen.
- Sufficient data was gathered when a crime was being reported to decide the appropriate response and if there were no investigative opportunities then a crime number would be provided at the outset.
- General parking enforcement was undertaken by NCC and NP dealt with offences such as obstruction which posed a danger to road users, however there was an element of greyness in respect of blocked access to driveways, and NP would generally try to resolve this by asking the person to move.
- Op Acorn had seen NP work closer with partners regarding additional visitor numbers and to provide additional car parking within the National Parks. Operation Acorn had improved the relationship between all partners and would continue.
- The use of CCTV and traffic patrol were being used to address vehicles being driven in an ASB manner and uplifting of vehicles undertaken for offences in the Berwick area. Issues should be reported to the relevant Neighbourhood Team by using the NP website so that problem areas could be targeted.
- There had not been an increase in reports of graffiti, however issues should be reported to the Neighbourhood Team. The issue of social media adding to public perception of crimes against the actual number of reports was highlighted.
- Community Speed Watch had ceased during the pandemic and NP were now looking at how they used volunteers and information would be provided once it was known.

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- Visitor numbers had increased this summer to places such as Boulmer, Craster and Dunstanburgh however due to the work undertaken by Op Beach Watch, the work undertaken with partners and the engagement with members of the public there had been fewer issues with car parking than the previous year.
- Off road bikes were an ongoing issue in all areas and there was a force strategy in place. A lot of work was being undertaken in relation to this and more publicity should be provided by NP to let the public know what steps were being taken to address the problem.
- Town and Parish Councils should be aware of their relevant Neighbourhood teams and whilst officers did not attend every Parish Council meeting, officers were out on foot in communities gathering intelligence and allowing the targeting of specific areas of concerns. The Neighbourhood Teams did not work in silos and would be deployed in other areas when necessary to deal with specific issues. The possibility of NP liaison through the Council's Town and Parish Liaison Working Group would be taken up by Councillor Hunter who was the Chair of the Working Group.
- No details had been passed to NP of extreme far right literature which had been posted through letterboxes in Amble. Details should be forwarded to Sergeant Robson so it could be investigated.
- In relation to the non-enforcement of 20mph limits, it was clarified that whilst no enforcement action would be taken NP, as part of speed watch, would speak to drivers who did not adhere to the 20 mph.

Inspector Swan reiterated that every person who contacted NP and said they were a victim of a crime would have a crime created and investigated proportionately, there were different ways of doing this depending on the information provided at the beginning. The Telephone Investigation Unit would contact the victim who would take details and if there were investigative opportunities i.e. lead, suspect etc. then it would be allocated to the appropriate unit for investigation. If an early assessment indicated that the crime should not be allocated then a crime number would be provided.

Inspector Swan, Sergeants Robson and Sykes were thanked for their attendance.

Councillor Hardy, Vice-Chair Planning took the Chair at this point.

48 **DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

RESOLVED that this report was noted.

Councillor Swinbank left the room at this point.

49 **21/02608/VARYCO**

**Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) on approved application
20/03155/FUL to allow changes to layout and design.
Land North of North Farm, Embleton, Alnwick, Northumberland, NE66 3DX**

An introduction to the application was provided by J Sharp, Planning Officer with the aid of a power point presentation. For clarification Councillor Pattison advised

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that a request for the application to be referred to Committee had not been made by her. In response to questions from Members of Committee the following information was noted:

- Different policies in the emerging Local Plan attracted different weight.
- The red line boundary was not changing and as the changes being proposed were not so significant they could be considered under a VARYCO as opposed to requiring a new planning application.

Councillor Thorne proposed acceptance of the recommendation to approve as outlined in the report as the revised layout respected more of the contours of the site, the Parish Council were in favour of these changes and the buildings would be more in keeping with the location more than caravans. This was seconded by Councillor Castle. A vote was taken as follows: FOR 9; AGAINST 1; ABSTENSION 1.

RESOLVED that the application be **GRANTED** for the reasons and with the conditions as outlined in the report.

Councillor Swinbank returned to the meeting at this point.

50 **21/01840/FUL**

**Replacement of timber cladding with new natural cedar boarding. Change of balustrade to glazed and patio size as built. (retrospective)
The Signal Box, Farley Cottage, Ellingham, Chathill, Northumberland, NE67 5HA**

J Hudson, Planning Officer provided an introduction to the report with the aid of a power point presentation. In response to questions from Members the following information was provided:

- The application had been brought to Committee as the result of an objection by the Parish Council and after being considered through the delegation scheme, the Director of Planning and the Vice-Chair had thought it appropriate to refer the application to Committee.
- The development was not in a conservation area and therefore the Conversation Officer had not been consulted.

Councillor Watson proposed acceptance of the recommendation to approve the application as outlined in the report advising that he did not like retrospective applications. Councillor Thorne seconded the proposal also advising of his dislike of retrospective applications and although he did not consider this promoted good design he considered that there was insufficient reason to refuse the application.

Councillor Pattison questioned the process as she had wished to proposed refusal of the application as she felt it did not fit in with the rurality of the village. Councillor Renner-Thompson agreed with this statement and said he would have seconded a proposal to refuse as it looked very much out of place. Other Members also advised that they did not feel that the use of glass was appropriate in the area. Councillor Pattison was advised there was a motion before the

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members which would have to be dealt with.

A vote was taken on the proposal to approve the application as follows: FOR 4; AGAINST 8; ABSTENSIONS 0; and therefore the motion fell.

Councillor Pattison proposed refusal of the application due to the visual impact in or around a rural village which was seconded by Councillor Renner-Thompson. Clarification was provided on the reason for refusal as follows:

The reason for the proposal to refuse the application was by virtue of its design, would have a harmful effect on the character and appearance of the existing property and surrounding area. The proposal would thus be contrary to Local Plan Policy F4 and paragraphs 126 and 127 of the NPPF. This was accepted by Councillors Pattison and Renner-Thompson.

A vote was taken on the proposal to refuse the application for the reason above as follows: FOR 8; AGAINST 2; ABSTENSIONS 2.

RESOLVED that the application be **REFUSED** as the proposal, by virtue of its design, would have a harmful effect on the character and appearance of the existing property and surrounding area. The proposal would thus be contrary to Local Plan Policy F4 and paragraphs 126 and 127 of the NPPF.

51 **APPEALS UPDATE**

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

52 **SECTION 106**

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

The meeting was adjourned whilst planning officers left the meeting and Councillor Castle took the Chair. The meeting recommenced at 4.55 pm.

53 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No questions had been received.

54 **PETITIONS**

Members were advised that an e-petition had been opened entitled **Protect our loved ones remove badgers safely** - Safely remove badgers from the cemetery and place deterrents around the perimeter to prevent more devastation. A report would be brought to a future meeting should it meet the required number of signatures.

There were no petition reports to be considered and no updates on petitions previously received.

55 **LOCAL SERVICES ISSUES**

G Bucknall - Lead Highways Delivery Manager provided a verbal update on north

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area highways. The update and subsequent questions included information on the following:

- Minor surfacing projects coming up were at Lordenshaw Road near Simonside in early November; Blakelaw in Alnwick October and Albert Road, Spittal.
- A wide range of traffic schemes including 20mph zones around schools were continuing to be delivered along with work on Bridges and structure schemes.
- It would be 6 weeks until completion for the access to the Leisure Centre at Berwick, which unfortunately was causing problems.
- Winter services preparedness was underway and the refilling of grit bins would commence in October. Rotas for gritters were filled by NCC staff and as usual farmers and contractors would be on standby for more challenging weather events.
- A study was being undertaken and a report prepared which could result in more resources being provided in respect of gully maintenance and clearing.
- The progress on the chicane and bollards which were still in place on the Rothbury road would be ascertained.
- The retaining wall had been built for the bus shelter in Shilbottle and the shelter was now being manufactured.
- Proposed shrub planting for the Felton exit on the northbound A1 as raised by Councillor Thorne would be looked at. Disappointment was expressed that the excellent work undertaken on the Newton on the Moor to Longframlington road had not extended to the bank where lorries and buses often had trouble with slipping.
- Councillor Hill expressed appreciation for the swift response to issues by G Bucknall, B Hodgson and T Kirsop. In response to a query regarding scheduling of works, Members were advised that there was a Streetworks Team who co-ordinated works however there were occasions when emergency work clashed with programmed work.
- An issue with signage left after works had been completed within Berwick was highlighted this would be looked into.
- Councillor Castle highlighted a dangerous fissure in the road on the Eglington to Chatton road close to Harehope Hall and asked for this to be looked at. Councillor Mather advised that he had reported this earlier that day and that the road had been marked up on 3 separate occasions.
- Councillor Mather asked that thanks be passed on to staff for the work undertaken at High Humbleton and on the road between Wooler to Chatton. In respect of an impact on the bridge between Chillingham New Town and Chillingham Castle this had been reported by Tillside Parish Council, but no response had been received. Sandbags were required for the low kerb at Doddington and he would like to see improved gritting provided in the Kirknewton Valley (route 2). G Bucknall would investigate these issues.
- Councillor Renner-Thompson advised that he was grateful that road closures had been delayed in order to avoid harvest time and also advised that the square of tarmac outside Coastal Grains at Belford

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- needed to be replaced again.
- The issue of a fence erected in Alnwick was in the hands of the Legal Department.
- An update was requested on the road closure in the Ord area and also the stone surfacing failure on the footpath on the Bridge.

B. Hodgson - Neighbourhood Services Area Manager provided a verbal update on North area neighbourhood issues. The update and subsequent questions included the following information:

- Grass cutting was on target with cut 11 of the season and work would move to leaf hotspots within the next month and these should be reported in order to help keep gullies clear.
- Winter work schedules were being looked at and early requests from Members would be welcomed.
- Weeds had been a concern in all areas. The glyphosate alternative weed trial was coming to an end and the results would be reported around November.
- Waste services had continued to work well despite staff shortages and income from garden waste, commercial and bulk waste were all expected to exceed targets. Extra slots had been created with staff working overtime on Fridays.
- Verge cutting had been completed within the target timescales.
- Covid procedures would continue to be reviewed.
- It was requested that the annual cut to the former Alnwick cricket site be undertaken shortly.
- A site meeting would be undertaken with Councillor Thorne in relation to the Longframlington Village Green Cemetery.
- In relation to complaints regarding the lack of grass collecting in Guyzance Avenue, North Broomhill this year unlike previous years, this would be investigated as the Council had a policy not to collect grass.
- Councillor Hunter would email details of areas which had been missed from the grass cutting schedule and grass verge which had not been cut.

Councillor Watson proposed a vote of thanks to Bill Pringle who was about to retire from the Council, his work over the last 40 years was much appreciated and he would be missed. This was unanimously agreed.

Officers were thanked for their attendance and updates.

56 LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN UPDATE

D Laux, Head of Technical Services was in attendance and provided an introduction to the report which provided an update on the Local Transport Plan (LTP) programme for 2021 and the preparation for the 2022/23 programme.

Within the North Northumberland area there were 71 projects on the integrated transport side, of which 21 were complete, although some were design projects and included the following:

- Togston North gateway signs and markings

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- Safety schemes at Thrum Mill and Debden Mill on the B6344
- Fenwick to West Kylee horse warning signs
- Ingram and Branton gateway signage

A further 10 schemes had works orders issued and were either just about or had started these included:

- Lucker footway and streetlighting scheme
- Pedestrian crossing at the Leisure Centre in Berwick
- Victoria Terrace, Alnwick pedestrian crossing

34 were in the design process and included:

- Berwick Road in Wooler
- St James Roundabout, West Street in Berwick
- 20 mph schemes in schools
- Rural road safety schemes in Elingham and Rothbury

6 schemes were still waiting to go to the design team.

In relation to the maintenance programme there were 49 in the North Northumberland area, with 30 completed, 10 of which were surface dressing schemes and 15 resurfacing schemes, with the Berwick Old Bridge scheme also completed. Another 10 had works orders issued and included:-

- High Trewick to Netherton C176
- Bamburgh to Glororum B1341
- Swarland Mill to Longframlington on the B6345
- Rockmidsteads U3089

There were a further 6 schemes still in the design phase.

Preparation was underway for the 2022/23 LTP however the funding would not be known until after the Government's spending review. Letters had been issued in July for County Councillors and Town and Parish Councils to put forward priorities for the LTP programme with a deadline of 8 October. It was hoped that each area would have their own LTP workshop which would possibly be held virtually.

The following information was noted in response to questions from Members:-

- Percy Drive, Amble a check would be made to see if funding had been allocated for this.
- Any schemes which required additional phases should be included in the priorities for the forthcoming year.
- Rumble strips would need to be included as a priority if they were desired.
- Expensive schemes should still be included in priorities.
- In respect of the Bamburgh to Glororum road improvements, if it had been picked up through the asset management information that there was a need for the scheme to carry on to a further phase then this would be picked up at some point but it would depend on other priorities within the County.
- Supporting information would be looked at when considering priorities, however it was likely that there would be a reason why a footpath was overgrown and it was possible that it would be broken up even if uncovered.
- Members advised that local knowledge was really important in the process and ensuring that Town and Parish Councils were well informed of what could be put forward and understood the process

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- would be taken on board in preparation for next year's process.
- Work on the Berwick Bridge would be undertaken in stages. The £450,000 work allocated for this year would start later this year and would probably continue into next year with a further stage starting the year after. The total cost was not known.

Mr Laux was thanked for his attendance.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

57 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

As the meeting approached the 3 hour limit Members were asked if they wished to suspend standing orders in order to continue the meeting. Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED that in accordance with the Council's constitution, standing orders be suspended and the meeting continue over the 3 hour limit.

58 **YOUTH SERVICE PRESENTATION**

S Pearson, Senior Manager - Specialist Services and G Younger, Accommodation Lead, were in attendance to provide Members with information on the Youth Service. A copy of the power point presentation would be filed with the signed minutes and circulated to Members after the meeting. Northumberland Adolescent Services (NAS) was made up of services to meet the needs of all adolescents across Northumberland and included:

- Youth Service Participation & Advocacy and Prevention/Detached
- Sorted Substance Misuse Service
- Youth Justice Service, Missing & Exploitation
- 14+/18+ Teams One & Two
- Accommodation Team
- Business Administration Team

An explanation was provided on the role and function of each of the services and how they supported young people in Northumberland around three distinct strands:

- Prevention
- Participation and Advocacy
- Early Help/Missing

The provision of universal youth services were developed and delivered across Northumberland working in partnership with the Voluntary Sector and it was through data analysis and feedback from partners it was decided in which area to deploy resources.

In response to questions from Members the following information was provided:-

- In the press it had been reported that NCC had over the last four years suffered cuts to budgets, however the Youth Service joined

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with Northumberland Adolescent Service (NAS) four years ago, which gave an opportunity to broaden/extend the resource to look at all different aspects of services. Northumberland were very fortunate and proud that we still have a youth service provision as no other County Council in the region had this service.

- In respect of sexual health and promotion of information, there had been a dip during the pandemic with a lack of training being undertaken during this time. This was now back and online training was available for all the adolescent service workers within Northumberland this also was available for the voluntary sector.
- In relation to homelessness there was an excellent joint housing protocol (JHP) in place which was signed up to by a large number of organisations who supported the provision and for all young people who were referred there was a multi-agency team in place to help. More would be done to ensure that the voluntary sector were aware of the protocol.
- An offer was available for volunteer organisations to receive face to face training and there was also some training provided to voluntary organisations but this would be at their request. There was no offer to assess any external person for the Assessors Award at the current time.

Councillor Renner-Thompson advised that youth services was not a statutory function and the Council provided this service voluntarily and confirmed we were the only local authority to do so. S Pearson advised that there were 35 staff with an office base in Cramlington and detached youth workers were deployed to identified targeted areas. A meeting between all third sector parties was being developed to discuss how we could support them rather than duplicate service delivery and work was also ongoing on how local communities could grow their own provision.

Officers were thanked for their attendance and presentation.

59 **BORDERLANDS**

T Kirsop, Community Regeneration Manager was in attendance to provide an update and a presentation to Members on the Borderlands Programme. A copy of the presentation would be forwarded to Members of the Committee and a copy filed with the signed minutes of the meeting. Details provided included information on the Growth Deal Commitment, the Place Programme Process, the Town prioritisation process and how the qualitative analysis for Northumberland was undertaken. The towns prioritised to prepare a place plan were as follows:

- Wave 1 - Alnwick, Bedlington / Bedlington Station and Newbiggin-by-the-Sea
- Wave 2- Bellingham, Haltwhistle, Prudhoe and Rothbury

Members were advised that there were no timescales at the current time as this was a 10 year programme and that place plans would probably take at least a year to complete.

In response to questions from Members the following information was noted:-

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- Alnwick had been prioritised as there was a disconnect between the town centre and the visitor attractions of Alnwick Castle and Gardens with very little investment having been made within the town centre.
- As part of the prioritisation process it had been necessary to discount towns which had previously received Government funding such as Amble, as Government had been keen to see funding used in towns which had not previously benefited. There were other funding streams coming forward which Amble could possibly bid for if there was a suitable scheme.
- There had not been any open rounds for bidding, all analysis had been undertaken internally with filters being used. In respect of Wooler and the Ad Gefran Brewery, being in a similar situation to Alnwick in the future, Members were advised that work was being undertaken now with the Rural Growth Team and others to ensure connectivity between the town centre and the Brewery to ensure that the town also benefitted from visitors to the Brewery.
- The Government had specified that there must be an Independent Board in each area with a private sector chair, however as some towns were unlikely to have an appropriate private sector representation it was likely that T Kirsop would chair the Boards in each area. There was no opportunity for increased representation from Town or Parish Councils and in Alnwick there would be four places on the Board, two for County Councillors and two for Town Councillors.
- In respect of concerns raised regarding Berwick town centre and the number of shops closing and development of shops at the Morrisons end of town, T Kirsop advised that early discussions were being undertaken in respect of Marygate and what could be done.
- Seahouses had not been included due to the level of population and had previously received some small funding from Coastal Communities funding.

T. Kirsop was thanked for his attendance and presentation.

60 LOCAL AREA COUNCIL WORK PROGRAMME

The Chair advised that the Local Area Council Chairs' Briefing had been cancelled due to the current review of Local Area Councils which was being undertaken.

Any items Members wished to have included on future agendas should be emailed to the Chair.

RESOLVED that the information was noted.

61 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday 21 October 2021 and this was a planning only meeting.

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In response to a question related to meetings being held in County Hall, the Chair advised that this was being discussed as part of the Review.

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