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Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a virtual meeting of the **ASHINGTON AND BLYTH LOCAL AREA COUNCIL** to be held in Meeting Space, Block 2, Floor 2, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 2EF on **WEDNESDAY, 14 JULY 2021** at **5.30 PM** .

Yours faithfully

Daljit Lally
Chief Executive

To Ashington and Blyth Local Area Council members as follows:-

J Lang, E Cartie, B Gallacher (Vice-Chair (Planning)), L Grimshaw (Chair), K Nisbet, K Parry, M Purvis, J Reid, E Simpson, C Ball, D Carr (Vice-Chair), C Humphrey, W Ploszaj, M Richardson, A Wallace and A 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

(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. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

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Minutes of the meeting of the Ashington & Blyth Local Area Council held on 10 March 2021 as circulated, to be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4. 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 Legal Services by email at monitoringofficer@northumberland.gov.uk Please refer to the guidance on

disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

To reply to any questions received from members of the public which have been submitted in writing in advance of the meeting. Questions can be asked about issues for which the Council has a responsibility. (Public question times take place on a bimonthly basis at Local Area Council meetings: in January, March, May, July, September and November each year.)

As agreed by the County Council in February 2012, the management of local public question times is at the discretion of the chair of the committee.

Please note however that a question may possibly be rejected if it requires the disclosure of any categories of confidential or exempt information, namely information:

1. relating to any individual;
2. which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual;
3. relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person
4. relating to any labour relations matters/negotiations;
5. restricted to legal proceedings
6. about enforcement/enacting legal orders
7. relating to the prevention, investigation of prosecution of crime.

And/or:

- is defamatory, frivolous or offensive;
- it is substantially the same as a question which has been put at a meeting of this or another County Council committee in the past six months;
- the request repeats an identical or very similar question from the same person;
- the cost of providing an answer is disproportionate;
- it is being separately addressed through the Council's complaints process;
- it is not about a matter for which the Council has a responsibility or which affects the county;
- it relates to planning, licensing and/or other regulatory applications
- it is a question that town/parish councils would normally be expected to raise through other channels.

If the Chair is of the opinion that a question is one which for whatever reason, cannot properly be asked in an area meeting, he/she will disallow it and inform the resident of his/her decision.

Copies of any written answers (without individuals' personal contact details) will be provided for members after the meeting and also be publicly available.

Democratic Services will confirm the status of the progress on any previously requested written answers and follow up any related actions requested by the Local Area Council.

6. PETITIONS

This item is to:

(a) Receive any new petitions: to receive any new petitions. The lead petitioner is entitled to briefly introduce their petition by providing a statement in writing, and a response to any petitions received will then be organised for a future meeting;

(b) Consider reports on petitions previously received: no reports are due to be considered at this meeting;

(c) Receive any updates on petitions for which a report was previously considered: any updates will be verbally reported at the meeting.

7. LOCAL SERVICES ISSUES

To receive a verbal update from the Area Managers from Technical Services and Neighbourhood Services in attendance about any key recent, ongoing and/or future planned Local Services work for the attention of members of the Local Area Council, who will also then have the opportunity to raise issues with the Area Managers.

The Area Managers have principal responsibility for highway services and environmental services, such as refuse collection, street cleansing and grounds maintenance, within the geographic boundaries of the Local Area Council.

8. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

(Pages
13 - 14)

To make appointments to outside body organisations within the Local Area Council's remit. A list of outside bodies is attached to the agenda for consideration.

9. MEMBERS LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES 2021 - 2022

(Pages
15 - 48)

The Members Local Improvement Schemes for Ashington and Blyth Local Area Council are provided for information only.

10. LOCAL AREA COUNCIL WORK PROGRAMME

(Pages
49 - 54)

To note the latest version of agreed items for future Local Area Council meetings (any suggestions for new agenda items will require confirmation by the Business Chair after the meeting)

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11 August 2021 (Planning only)

12. URGENT BUSINESS

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.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

ASHINGTON & BLYTH LOCAL AREA COUNCIL

At a virtual meeting of the **Ashington & Blyth Local Area Council** held on **Wednesday, 10 March 2021 at 6:00 pm.**

PRESENT

Councillor G Webb (Chair)

MEMBERS

D Campbell
E Cartie
G Davey
S Davey
B Gallacher
J J Gobin
L Grimshaw

J Lang
K Nisbet
K Parry
M Purvis
J Reid
E Simpson

OFFICERS

M Carle
G Gavin
R O'Farrell
K Norris

Highways Delivery Area Manager
Head of Neighbourhood Services
Executive Director of
Democratic Services Officer

Also in attendance: Inspector S Nicklin, Northumbria Police

124. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L Rickerby and T Wilson.

125. MINUTES 13 JANUARY 2021

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Ashington & Blyth Local Area Council held on Wednesday, 13 January 2021, as circulated, be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

126. MINUTES 10 FEBRUARY 2021

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Ashington & Blyth Local Area Council held on Wednesday, 10 February 2021, as circulated, be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

127. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Councillor Simpson declared an interest in item 5(b) – consider reports on petitions previously received, petition regarding Northumberland County Council asset transfer of redundant public toilet to Newbiggin Town Council at which time she would leave the meeting and take no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

At the Chair's request, and with the agreement of Members, the agenda was re-ordered to bring item 8 forward.

128. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No questions from the public had been received in advance of the meeting.

129. POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

The Chair had contacted Northumbria Police Inspectors of the Ashington and Blyth areas to attend the meeting to provide an update about policing and community safety. Inspector Patterson from the Ashington area had advised the Chair of a previous engagement but had agreed to attend on another occasion. Acting Neighbourhood Inspector Steven Nicklin had volunteered to attend for the Blyth area as a new Inspector had been appointed and had not yet taken up his position.

Inspector Nicklin provided an update as follows:

- John Caisley had been appointed as the new Inspector for the Blyth area and would take up his position within the next few weeks.
- Operational policing teams for Blyth responded from the Bedlington area but were deployed within the Blyth area for a quick time response. In addition, there was a Blyth Neighbourhood Team which currently consisted of one inspector, two sergeants, 12 police constables, 8 PCSO's and a number of special constables split over two operating teams.
- Key areas of vulnerability such as domestic violence and anti-social behaviour were being addressed.
- Operation Aurora continued with a multi-agency approach to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour in the Cowpen Quay area. This was a beneficial piece of work with vast success in supporting vulnerable people and improving hotspot areas. Some offenders had been given custodial sentences with others receiving low level intervention to deter them from becoming long term offenders.
- During lockdown speeding had been exacerbated and in response to concerns about this the Blyth area had taken receipt of a true speed gun which was ordinarily only held by traffic departments. This was a mobile handheld speed camera which could be operated by one officer and some of the team had been trained to use it, the benefits of which had already been seen.
- Enforcement was valid and crucial but there were many assets to it. Engagement and working with highways were ongoing and hopefully benefits would soon be forthcoming.
- There were ongoing issues with off-road motorcycles which were being addressed by Operation Swift in which individuals were being proactively targeted.
- In terms of local initiatives, Operation Ages was looking at issues of domestic violence and identifying the most vulnerable through a multi-agency approach. This

was a bespoke piece of work in addition to that done by other departments and was proving beneficial.

- Covid had brought many issues. Residents and members of the community in Blyth had mainly adhered to the public safety element but, as in other areas, some had been in breach of the guidelines. Most breaches had been within a domestic setting and although these were mainly addressed through engagement and education, enforcement was used when needed.
- Inspector Nicklin said members should be encouraged as there were many positive things happening in Blyth.

In response to questions the following information was provided:

- Following the traffic accident at St Wilfred's Church, Blyth, Inspector Nicklin was not aware of any fatalities but could not comment on injuries sustained by the driver.
- Funding for the true speed gun had been provided by interested parties and contributions from local members. Ordinarily the device was only operated by motor patrols, so officers had needed specific training to use it.
- Following comments about a speed gun for use in the Ashington area, a member provided some background information and offered to discuss this further with Councillor Gallacher outside of the meeting.

The Chair thanked Inspector Nicklin for attending the meeting and for providing a comprehensive report. In turn, Inspector Nicklin thanked Councillors for their support which was much appreciated.

130. PETITIONS

(a) Receive any new petitions – details about a petition relating to planning enforcement procedures in Lynemouth had been circulated with the agenda in error as it was not under the remit of this committee. The Director of Planning had been advised accordingly and his response would be provided to a future meeting of the Castle Morpeth Local Area Council.

(b) Consider reports on petitions previously received:

Northumberland County Council Asset Transfer of Redundant Public Toilet to Newbiggin Town Council

Councillor Simpson left the meeting for this item only taking no part in the discussion or voting thereon

A statement to introduce the petition had been received from Mr J Armstrong, local resident and petitioner, and was read out by the Democratic Services Officer as follows:

As a resident and Council Tax payer of Newbiggin by the Sea, I wish to submit my objection to and concerns with regard to Northumberland County Council transferring their derelict, redundant public toilets to the Town Council.

Financial implications for the residents.

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1. Newbiggin by the Sea residents have for the last two years paid the highest Council Tax, per equivalent band, in Northumberland. Due to double figure percentage rises in each of the two years.
2. Newbiggin Town Council previously contributed £100,000 towards the Front Street development, enabling an additional Town Council office and a new public toilet block.
3. The Town Council pay NCC through the service agreement to maintain the Front St public toilets.
4. The additional public toilet being owned by NTC will be an additional financial burden to the residents, for refurbishment, maintenance and other overheads.
5. The Town Council balances accumulated to date have been as a result of an underspending on the essential basic services in the Town over previous years. The residents now live in a neglected place as evidenced by inadequate litter bins, neglected public seats, not fit for purpose bus shelter at Woodlea and play parks falling into disrepair.

Safety, design and other concerns.

1. The position of the toilets is at the edge of a busy turnaround for traffic and adjacent to six road junctions with no dedicated pedestrian access.
2. The proposed entrance to the toilets opens directly onto the turnaround, posing a huge risk to those exiting with small children.
3. No adjacent parking available for disabled people.
4. Inadequate or dedicated facilities for the disabled. Insufficient area for two support carers or a full size changing table.
5. Proposed use of Windfarm regeneration monies accumulated from previous years.
6. Little signage for the new public toilets on Front Street.

The long term financial burden for the residents this asset transfer will bring, is unacceptable and will cause many families hardship. A decision made by three Town Councillors without any opportunity given for the residents to voice their concerns.

Following receipt of the officer's report, the petitioner made the following comments:

The only thing I have to say after reading the officer's report is, when is anyone going to listen to the residents of Newbiggin by the Sea? The residents have made it quite clear that they do not want the refurbishment of the toilet block to go ahead, how many times do we have to go over this? Does our opinion count for nothing?

Mr Greg Gavin, Head of Neighbourhood Services then presented the officer's report in response to the petition, a copy of which was circulated with the agenda.

Mr Gavin said the petitioner had raised some issues which were more relevant to Newbiggin Town Council (NTC) and his report set out the position and recommendations from the perspective of Northumberland County Council (NCC) only.

The public convenience building in Prospect Place had been operated and maintained by NCC until 2016 when it closed. It closed because it was heavily vandalised and, due to a new facility opening on Front Street, the cost of repair was prohibitive. NCC and NTC invested jointly in the new modern public facility on Front Street which opened in December 2017.

In reviewing this petition and the proposed asset transfer, the key issue for officers to consider was the Northumberland Town and Parish Council Charter which set out the commitment of NCC to support Parish and Town Councils to maintain their own local services and assets should they wish to do so. NTC had made a formal resolution to declare that it did wish to maintain this asset. As part of an asset transfer NCC would make available the avoided demolition costs which were estimated at around £20,000 and that would be cost neutral to NCC.

The petition, as outlined, opened on 3 December 2020 and when it closed on 3 February it was supported by 185 signatories.

Transferring public conveniences under the Town and Parish Council Charter had taken place in other towns and it was proposed that NCC be consistent and support NTC's resolution that it wished to maintain the asset and have it transferred on the same basis as others had been transferred over the years.

The recommendation of officers was for members to consider the report and note that the asset transfer of the public conveniences from NCC to NTC was in accordance with the provisions of the Town and Parish Council Charter.

Debate followed and members comments included the following:

- In the past these public conveniences had been subject to continuous repairs.
- The petition had been signed by 3% of the population of the town which was an amazing number of people so it must be a huge issue for the town of Newbiggin.
- The toilets were in a dangerous place, it was a bus turning circle and a roundabout.
- Wansbeck District Council had closed this building down for many years.
- The toilets had been disgusting with an obnoxious smell and filled with rubbish.
- There were other adequate facilities within Newbiggin which were looked after.
- These were in the wrong position, they were old and should be demolished with something nice put in their place.
- Vandalism would continue if they were not looked after 24/7.
- This was an online petition and the number of signatures did not guarantee signatories were from Newbiggin by the Sea.
- Did the committee have delegated authority to make a decision on this or would it ultimately be a Cabinet decision?
- The petition had put members in a difficult position, they were only being asked to transfer the toilet block and if they did not it would deteriorate further.
- It had not been said that NCC would spend any money on refurbishment.

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- There was an election in 8 weeks so residents had an opportunity to stand or replace the current Town Council to decide the way forward.
- The petition should be sent back to the Town Council for a response to see if there was any middle ground.
- Decisions should be made locally.

Mr Rick O'Farrell, Executive Director of Local Services and Place said there was a two-tier system and NCC had developed a policy with Town and Parish Councils to establish a Charter stating that assets would be transferred to those bodies when they so desired and if NCC had decided they were surplus. It would have therefore been more appropriate for this petition to have been directed to the Town Council as it was their decision whether to spend funds on the refurbishment of these toilets. Although he was not certain, Mr O'Farrell thought officers were bound by Council policy. The request had been made by a democratically elected body, the assets were surplus to requirements, and he felt that officer's had no option other than to transfer the asset. These comments were reiterated by Councillor Reid who said the committee was not in a position to change policy.

The Chair asked for a recommendation.

Councillor Davey said NCC had set aside £20,000 to demolish the toilet block and said it would give that £20,000 to NTC when transferring the asset. It had been suggested that the committee could not stop the asset transfer but Councillor Davey said the committee could retain and save the £20,000.

Councillor Davey moved that the asset be transferred to Newbiggin by the Sea Town Council and the £20,000, which had been set aside for demolition, be retained by Northumberland County Council to do good work either on the highways or at other public toilets. The motion was seconded by Councillor Reid.

Mr O'Farrell said if this was the final decision of the committee, officers would take it away for consideration but it may not be the final outcome as he did not believe the committee had the authority to direct how the budget was used.

Councillor Davey disagreed, stating that the Council constitution set out that councillors could steer the budget and therefore the motion would stand.

Mr O'Farrell agreed to take advice on this if it was the wish of the committee. He advised, however, that there were no further meetings of Cabinet before the May election so this would defer the decision and, as funding was from this year's budget, it would result in a host of further implications.

Upon being put to the vote the motion was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that it be recommended to Cabinet that the public conveniences in Prospect Place, Newbiggin by the Sea adjacent to the Cresswell Arms Public House be transferred to Newbiggin by the Sea Town Council and the £20,000, which had been set aside for

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demolition, be retained by Northumberland County Council within Local Services for future spending.

(c) Receive any updates on petitions for which a report was previously considered: No updates to consider.

131. LOCAL SERVICES ISSUES

The Head of Neighbourhood Services and Highways Delivery Area Manager were in attendance to provide verbal updates about any key recent, ongoing and/or future planned Local Services work and to respond to issues raised by members.

Neighbourhood Services

Mr G Gavin, Head of Neighbourhood Services provided an update as follows:

- Since the last meeting there had been some challenging weather conditions with ice and snow. From a grounds maintenance perspective winter maintenance had continued at the expected rate despite bad weather and teams had coped very well.
- NEAT operatives were diverted to support colleagues in highways and deployed to grit and clear footpaths in high footfall areas and to ensure access to the vaccination and testing centres was maintained to support NHS colleagues.
- In terms of transitioning from the winter season to the summer season, when ground conditions were suitable, grass cutting would commence in either late March or early April depending on those ground conditions.
- The Neighbourhood Services Area Manager was in the process of finalising recruitment for seasonal staff who were brought in each year to support activities.
- The weed control programme would be undertaken in-house this year. It had been particularly challenging last year due to people working from home and parked cars. This year some alternatives to glyphosate weed treatment traditionally used would be trialed and although most research indicated that alternatives were more costly and slower, these would be tested throughout the summer season in local settings.
- From a street cleansing point of view, in line with usual practice, mechanical sweepers were temporarily stood down.
- It was anticipated there would be an increase in footfall throughout all of Northumberland's parks, open spaces and coastal areas again this year and proposals were being pulled together for an enhanced street cleansing service with extra maintenance of public conveniences throughout the summer season.
- In terms of waste collection, despite the snow and the ice, almost all collections in this area were complete with very few bins missed in some of the more rural areas.
- Garden waste collections had started this week and people were reminded to renew their subscriptions. The cost remained the same as last year at £43 per bin.
- Despite the challenges, teams had continued to do an excellent job and managers were very proud of them.

Members expressed thanks to the teams for the excellent service they had continued to provide throughout the challenging conditions.

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In response to questions the following information was provided:

- Bowling greens would be maintained in the same way this year as they had been last year with no changes.
- In response to a request for information about the ownership of railings which had blown over on the path between Tomlea Avenue and Waverley Avenue, Bedlington Station, Mr Gavin said officers would look into this and provide information to Councillor Gobin as requested.
- Mr Gavin could not confirm if wet play facilities within parks would be allowed to open this summer but, as it was a possibility, funding had been commissioned to have everything ready in anticipation of being given the go ahead to open.
- Concerns were raised about fly tipping in the Cowpen Quay area and the costs incurred by the Council, Mr Gavin agreed this area, along with the Hirst area in Ashington, was a hotspot for fly tipping and said a lot of work had been carried out to tackle this through communications and enforcement activity. There were further activities planned to help resolve the issue as most of the fly tipping was small amounts of household rubbish being dumped from local households. Actions taken this year had seen an 8% reduction across the county from the same period last year but it was not a good situation and needed to be reduced further.
- A member referred to the difficulties around weed control and suggested this should be carried out in a different way. He said in the past the Council had used lower cost sprays and should pay more for a better quality weed spray.
- In terms of public parks, people were walking more, and the cleaning of these areas should be more flexible to avoid overflowing rubbish bins.
- Regarding enforcement, this should be more robust with fines issued and publicised.
- A member requested support regarding litter around the SITA site near the Portland estate. She asked if officers could work with the Environment Agency in this regard. Mr Gavin confirmed that officers were working on this and he would follow this up.

The Chair expressed his personal gratitude and reiterated the thanks of members to the teams involved for the excellent work done.

RESOLVED that the information be noted and issues set out in the bullet points above be followed up.

Technical Services

M Carle, Highways Delivery Area Manager, provided an update on highways as follows:

Following the recent severe weather, there had been numerous pothole reports received on top of additional carriageway Inspections. All maintenance crews had been working tirelessly fixing potholes and category one defects across the South East area making the roads safe.

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- Larger Tarmac Patching has been carried out in: Avondale Avenue, Druridge Drive and Solingen Estate, Blyth; Bothal Village; A197 Ashington to Pegswood; Park View, Ashington
- Tarmac patching was programmed for: Woodhorn Road, Newbiggin; Avondale Gardens and the Northern Relief Road, Ashington; Teal Avenue and Amble Close, Blyth

Drainage Improvements:

- **A189 Spine Road** - Investigation work following water overflowing onto the A189 Spine Road between the Three Horseshoes and Bebside Blyth. A new ditch and bund had been created to hold the large volume water before it was discharged into the drainage system. The drainage network from Heathery Lonnen down to the A189 had been cleansed and new manholes had been installed and ditches cleaned.
- **Horton Road** - Investigation work followed recent floods along the Horton Road. Damaged pipework in the farmers' fields had been identified and permission granted to fix these once the fields dried up. The existing drainage network had also been cleansed.

Flags to Flex

As part of the additional funding received this year, flags to flex work had been completed at Fulmar Drive, Blyth and College Road Ashington. There was further footpath work to complete at Beatrice Street, Blyth which was expected to start in early April.

Tarmac Resurfacing Work

- Malvins Road, Blyth - civils preparation work for resurfacing work had been underway for the last 6 weeks and additional gullies and improved the drainage systems had been added. Resurfacing work was programmed for Monday 22 March 2021 for 5 days.
- Maple Crescent - Civils preparation was programmed to begin in early April for 4-5 weeks and resurfacing work was programmed for early June.
- North Seaton Church - Preparation work for some of the footpaths in North Seaton Church, Ashington had recently been completed and resurfacing was programmed for Tuesday 30 March 2021.
- Titchfield Terrace, Ashington – work was programmed to start on 6 April 2021 for two weeks. Concrete carriageway would be replaced with a flexible tarmac surface.

Micro Surfacing Preparation Work.

Tarmac patching preparation work had been completed at Bywell Road, Ashington.

Preparation work was programmed for: William Street, Blyth - programmed to start 27 March 2021 for one day; Jubilee Terrace, Blyth - programmed to start on Monday 15 March 2021 for 3 days.

Winter Services LAC's Update

Chair's Initials.....

Ashington and Blyth Local Area Council, 10 March 2021

Since the last meeting there had been a significant snow event in February effecting the entire county. Teams had worked constantly around the clock and snow blowers had been out all week on higher ground. Feedback was very positive during and after the event. Any issues during these events had to go through the contact center to allow operatives to log, manage and follow issues through.

- Approximately 4,160 hours were worked gritting the network between all shifts within the two weeks of prolonged weather.
- Approximately 11,872 Tonnes of salt was used on the Northumberland road network.
- Approximately 14,372 in total salt usage including gritting, bin refills, footways, farmers, re - visits to sites.

Mr Carle expressed thanks to his colleagues for the excellent work carried out and to Neighbourhood Services colleagues, farmers and contractors for their assistance. He said it had been a busier winter than usual with 110 runs across the county and the effects of the snow and flooding in February were ongoing.

- Members expressed their appreciation for works programmed in Beatrice Avenue, Blyth and Titchfied Terrace, Ashington which were long coming.
- Repairs to the Northern by-pass road were welcomed as it was not up to standard which was not encouraging in attracting new businesses.
- Concerns about the roundabout at Briardene, Ashington which was crumbling away – this was on a strategic route and should be looked at as a matter of urgency.

Members expressed their gratitude to the Highways Team for their excellent work under difficult circumstances including reduced funding, extreme weather conditions and COVID 19. On a personal note, the Chair added his thanks to the Team and to the Committee for all the work done.

The Highways Delivery Area Manager said he would pass on the feedback which was much appreciated.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

132. MEMBERS’ LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES 2017/21

A progress report had been circulated for information.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

133. LOCAL AREA COUNCIL WORK PROGRAMME

Members received the latest version of agreed items for future Local Area Council meetings.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

Chair’s Initials.....

134. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting was for planning items only and, subject to there being any planning business, would take place on Wednesday, 14 April 2021, time to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm

Chair _____

Date _____

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Ashington & Blyth Local Area Council

Members local Improvement Schemes

2021 - 2022

Progress Report - 1st July 2021



Cllr.C.S. Ball Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - Ashington Central

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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2018 / 2019						
HO186474	Traffic calming (Upgrading of existing Single Yellow Lines to Double Yellow Lines and additional road safety measures) C401 Milburn Road/U6513 Bertram Terrace Area, Ashington - Phase 1			Design	Design	Cllr Wilson - Design brief issued. Option 3. New design brief issued 12/08/20
2019 / 2020						
HO196517	Traffic calming (Residents Parking Zone) C401 Acacia Terrace, Ashington			completed	completed	Cllr Wilson - Works completed costs to be finalized
HO196583	Traffic calming (Proposed speed reduction measures) U6510 West View, Ashington - Phase 1			Design	TBA	Cllr Wilson - Design brief issued.
HO206727	Traffic calming (Resident Permit Parking) Sycamore Street, Ashington			completed	completed	Cllr Wilson - Works completed costs to be finalized
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022	£15,000.00	
Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date		£0.00
Total Estimated Cost	£0.00	
Balance Remaining to 31/3/22	£ 15,000.00	

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Cllr.D.J. Carr Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - South Blyth



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
	2013/2017					
HO186467	Construction of safe crossing point on B1329 Links Road, Blyth between South Shore Estate Phase 1 and the Bandstand			Accounts	TBA	Cllr Rickerby - Contribution towards 2019/20 LTP scheme No. HED19306.
	2021 / 2022					




Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00

Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00

Total Estimated Cost £0.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr. E. Cartie Members Schemes 2021 to 2025



Ashington & Blyth - Wensleydale



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2021 / 2022						
HO210001	Contribution towards footpath resurfacing works and installation of new kerbing at Ridley Park, Blyth	£7,000.00	£7,000.00	Delivery	TBA	Countryside and Open Spaces Team scheme

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00
Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £7,000.00
Total Estimated Cost £7,000.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 8,000.00

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Cllr. B. Gallacher Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - Haydon



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2019 / 2020						
HO196692	Contribution towards the purchase and installation of new play equipment at Wansbeck Riverside Park, Ashington	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	Accounts	TBA	Countryside and Open Spaces Team scheme - Joint scheme with Cllr. Grimshaw. Costs to be
2020 / 2021						
HO206805	Contribution towards the costs of resurfacing the footpaths at St John's Church, Ashington	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	completed	completed	South East Area scheme - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Parry and Purvis. Costs to be finalized
HO206860	Contribution towards the Jack Charlton Statue Project	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to Ashington Town Council not made yet - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Parry and Purvis. 2021/2022 scheme
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00

Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00

Total Estimated Cost £0.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr. L Grimshaw Members Schemes 2021 to 2025



Ashington & Blyth - Bothal





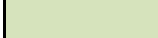
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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2018 / 2019						
2018/169	Contribution towards purchase and installation of new interactive speed sign - High Market Area, Ashington	£4,000.00				Coordinated with proposed LTP 2019/20 traffic calming scheme
2019 / 2020						
HO196616	Traffic calming (Speed reduction measures) U6507 Seventh Row/Eighth Row, Ashington - Phase 1	£34,334.52	£34,334.52	Design	TBA	Design brief issued - scheme budget increased by £16,300.00 - budget increased by a further £16,034.52. Made Order 21/06/2021
HO196693	Contribution towards the purchase and installation of new play equipment at Wansbeck Riverside Park, Ashington	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	Accounts	TBA	Countryside and Open Spaces Team scheme - Joint scheme with Cllr. Gallacher.
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00
Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00
Total Estimated Cost £0.00
Balance Remaining to 31/3/21 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr.C. Humphrey Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - Newsham

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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2019 / 2020						
HO196684	Traffic calming (20mph zone with traffic calming) Willow Crescent, Blyth			Consultation	TBA	Cllr Campbell - Consultation results discussed with Cllr. Design brief issued
HO196685	Traffic calming (Verge hardening) Willow Crescent, Blyth			Design	TBA	Cllr Campbell - C2 info in file. Design brief issued - budget increased
2021 / 2022						

<p>Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00</p> <p>Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00</p> <p>Total Estimated Cost £0.00</p> <p>Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 15,000.00</p>	<p>KEY</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td style="background-color: yellow; width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td><td>Approved Scheme Budget</td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: white; width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td><td>Proposed Scheme</td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #d9ead3; width: 20px; height: 15px;"></td><td>Completed Scheme / Final Cost</td></tr> </table>		Approved Scheme Budget		Proposed Scheme		Completed Scheme / Final Cost
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Cllr. J.A. Lang Members Schemes 2021 to 2025




Ashington & Blyth - Seaton with Newbiggin West



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2019 / 2020						
HO196675	Traffic calming (Additional traffic calming measures) William Hopkinson Way, Newbiggin by the Sea	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Design	TBA	Design brief issued.
2020 / 2021						
HO206815	Traffic calming (Proposed parking restrictions and improved pedestrian access) U6533/U6534 Moorhouse Lane, Ashington - Phase 1	£3,170.80	£3,170.80	Delivery	TBA	South East Area Highways scheme. - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Parry and Purvis.
HO206854	Contribution towards purchase and installation of new play equipment at Paddock Wood Play Area	£2,153.80	£2,153.80	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to Ashington Town Council not made yet.
HO206897	Resurfacing the Paddocks Park Footway, North Seaton	£0.00	£0.00	Cancelled	Cancelled	Countryside and Open Spaces Team.
HO206931	Contribution towards purchase and installation of new play equipment at Spittal Park	£11,557.00	£11,557.00	Delivery	TBA	Contribution to Neighbourhood Services scheme - budget increased by £1,557.00.
HO206968	Resurfacing of Footpath No.3 Paddock Wood, North Seaton	£10,661.04	£10,661.04	Delivery	TBA	Countryside and Open Spaces Team scheme - awaiting formal approval estimated cost £10,661.04.
2021 / 2022						

<p>Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00</p> <p>Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00</p> <p>Total Estimated Cost £0.00</p> <p>Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 15,000.00</p>			<p>KEY</p> <p> Approved Scheme Budget</p> <p> Proposed Scheme</p> <p> Completed Scheme / Final Cost</p>	
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Cllr.K. Nisbet Members Schemes 2021 to 2025



Ashington & Blyth - Croft



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2017/2019						
2018/167	Traffic Calming (DYL) Hodgsons Rd & Durban St junction, Blyth	£0.00	£0.00	HOLD	HOLD	Results sent will continue to monitor area for 12 months till July 2020
2019 / 2020						
HO196690	Traffic calming (removal of build out and bollards) Hodgsons Rd & Durban St Junction, Blyth	£33,880.00	£33,880.00	Design	TBA	Design brief issued - scheme budget increased by £31,880.00.
HO196705	Traffic Calming (Double Yellow Lines) Wright Street, Blyth	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	Completed	Completed	Made Order starts 03/08/2020. Works completed 09/09/2020. Costs to be finalized
2019/163	Traffic calming (improvements to home zone area) wright St, Disraeli St and surrounding area - Phase 1					
HO196691	Traffic calming (Provision of additional parking bays) B1328 Waterloo Road, Blyth	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Design	TBA	Design brief issued
2020 / 2021						
HO206819	Traffic Calming (Improved parking facilities) Union Street, Blyth - Phase 1	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Design	TBA	Design brief issued.
HO206921	Traffic calming (Proposed parking restrictions) B1327 Union Street, Blyth	£4,477.67	£4,477.67	Design	TBA	Design brief to be issued - budget increased by £2,477.67.
2021 / 2022						
HO210004	Construction of verge hardening at Beaumont Street, Blyth	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Delivery	TBA	Order issued

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00

Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £2,000.00

Total Estimated Cost £2,000.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/21 £ 13,000.00

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Cllr. K. Parry Members Schemes 2021 to 2025



Ashington & Blyth - Hirst



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2019 / 2020						
HO196666	Traffic calming (Residents parking scheme) U6534 Woodhorn Villas, Ashington	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	Design	TBA	Design brief to be issued. On hold site visit required once it's safe to do so
2020 / 2021						
HO206792	Traffic calming (Speed reduction measures) Woodhorn Road, Ashington - Phase 1	£21,481.30	£21,481.30	Design	TBA	Design brief issued - budget increased by £19,481.30.
HO206804	Contribution towards the costs of resurfacing the footpaths at St John's Church, Ashington	£3,500.00	£3,500.00	completed	completed	South East Area Highways scheme - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Gallacher and Purvis.
HO206814	Traffic calming (Proposed parking restrictions and improved pedestrian access) U6533/U6534 Moorhouse Lane, Ashington - Phase 1	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	Delivery	TBA	South East Area Highways scheme - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Lang and Purvis.
HO206861	Contribution towards the Jack Charlton Statue Project	£10,000.00	£10,000.00	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to Ashington Town Council not made yet - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Gallacher and Purvis.
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00

Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00

Total Estimated Cost £0.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr.W.F. Ploszat Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - Kitty Brewster



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
	2020 / 2021					
HO206925	Contribution towards construction of new building at The Empire School of Boxing, Blyth			Accounts	TBA	Cllr G Davey - Contribution to The Empire School of Boxing not made yet - Joint scheme with Cllr. S. Davey.
	2021 / 2022					

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00

Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00

Total Estimated Cost £0.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr. M. Purvis Members Schemes 2021 to 2025



Ashington & Blyth - College



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2019 / 2020						
HO196560	Contribution towards micro surfacing, U6576 Pennine Drive and Sidlaw Court, Ashington	£3,084.67	£3,084.67	Hold	Hold	Contribution to 2019/20 LTP Micro Surfacing Programme - scheme budget reduced by £415.03.
HO196561	Contribution towards Hirst Park CCTV	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to Public Protection Team scheme.
HO196570	Traffic calming (Proposed parking restrictions and improved pedestrian access) U6533/U6534 Moorhouse Lane, Ashington - Phase 1	£10,000.00	£10,000.00	Design	TBA	Design brief issued - Budget increased by £7,500.00.
2020 / 2021						
2020/011	Construction of new footpath at St John's Church Cemetery, Ashington	£0.00	£0.00			South East Area scheme - awaiting estimate.
HO206803	Contribution towards the costs of resurfacing the footpaths at St John's Church, Ashington	£23,500.00	£23,500.00	completed	completed	South East Area Highways scheme - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Gallacher and Parry
HO206862	Contribution towards the Jack Charlton Statue Project	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to Ashington Town Council not made yet - Joint scheme with Cllr's. Gallacher and Parry.
HO206941	Contribution towards purchase of new handheld speed camera for Northumbria Police	£7,499.00	£7,499.00	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to Northumbria Police not made yet.
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00

Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00

Total Estimated Cost £0.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/21 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr. J. Reid Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - Plessey






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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2020 / 2021						
HO206840	Traffic calming (Proposed Double Yellow Lines) Dunlin Drive, Blyth	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	Consultation	TBA	Made Order 28/06/2021. Works issued.
HO206988	Contribution towards kitchen refurbishment at South Beach Community Centre, Blyth	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	Completed	Completed	Contribution to South Beach Residents Association made on 7 June 2021.
HO206989	Contribution towards improvements to prevent vehicle access to 11th Avenue Playing Field, Blyth	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	Design	TBA	Neighbourhood Services scheme.
HO206992	Contribution towards purchase and installation of new CCTV system and new electronic cash/stock monitoring system at Blyth Cricket and Rugby	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	completed	completed	Contribution to Blyth Cricket and Rugby Football Club made on 15 June 2021.
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2017 - April 2021 £15,000.00
Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00
Total Estimated Cost £0.00
Balance Remaining to 31/3/21 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr.M.C. Richardson Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - Cowpen



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2020 / 2021						
HO206926	Contribution towards construction of new building at The Empire School of Boxing, Blyth			Accounts	TBA	Cllr S Davey - Contribution to The Empire School of Boxing not made yet - Joint scheme with Cllr. G. Davey.
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00
Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date £0.00
Total Estimated Cost £0.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/22 £ 15,000.00

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Cllr. E.M. Simpson Members Schemes 2021 to 2025






Ashington & Blyth - Newbiggin Central and East



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2017/2018						
HO176351	Traffic calming (Installation of loading bay, DYL and No Entry signs) U6518 Cleveland Terr., B1334 Cleveland Terr./Gibson St. Junction & U6518 Buteland Terr./ Cleveland Terr. Junction, Newbiggin	£4,145.00	£4,145.00	completed	completed	H Works complete - costs to be finalized.
2019 / 2020						
HO196665	Contribution to Newbiggin Community Trust Limited	£20,000.00	£20,000.00	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to Newbiggin Community Trust Limited not made yet.
HO196699	Traffic calming (Speed reduction measures) A197 Woodhorn Road, Newbiggin - Phase 1	£2,000.00	£2,615.41	Design	TBA	Design brief issued
2020 / 2021						
HO206884	Traffic calming (Proposed residents parking scheme) Allisons Yard, Newbiggin - Phase 1	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	Design	TBA	Design brief to be issued.
HO206928	Contribution towards 20mph speed limit at Grace Darling Campus, Newbiggin	£13,650.91	£13,650.91	Accounts	TBA	Contribution to 2021/2022 LTP scheme - budget increased by £3,650.91.
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00							
		Actual Cost + Committed Cost to Date		£0.00			
		Total Estimated Cost		£0.00			
		Balance Remaining to 31/3/22		£ 15,000.00			
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Cllr.A. Wallace Members Schemes 2021 to 2025

Ashington & Blyth - Sleekburn



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2019 / 2020						
HO196534	Traffic calming (New 20mph repeater signs and road markings) U6537 Clayton Street/Burnside Area, Bedlington			Design	TBA	Cllr Gobin - Design brief issued. Speed survey requested TS/19/59
2020 / 2021						
HO206914	Contribution towards the purchase and installation of two new entrance doors at East Bedlington Community Centre			Accounts	TBA	Cllr Gobin - Contribution to East Bedlington Parish Council not made yet.
HO206915	Contribution towards purchase and installation of new play equipment at Grange Park Play Area, Bedlington			Delivery	TBA	Cllr Gobin - Countryside and Open Spaces Team scheme.
HO206979	Contribution towards purchase and installation of new play equipment at Burnside Estate Play Area, Bedlington			Accounts	TBA	Cllr Gobin - Contribution to East Bedlington Parish Council not made yet.
2021 / 2022						

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Cllr.A. Watson Members Schemes 2021 to 2025



Ashington & Blyth - Isabella



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Job Number	Scheme Description	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Current Status	Proposed Completion	Comments
2019 / 2020						
HO196631	Traffic calming (Proposed speed reduction measures and 20mph zone) U9711 Southend Avenue, Ogle Drive & Ford Drive, Blyth - Phase 1			Design	TBA	Cllr Webb - Design brief issued - scheme budget increased by £19,097.36 budget has now been reduced by £120.00.
2020 / 2021						
HO206735	Traffic calming (Proposed parking restrictions) B1523/U9516 Plessey Road/Twenty Third Avenue Junction, Blyth - Phase 1			Design	TBA	Cllr Webb - Design brief issued - scheme budget increased by £9,000.00.
2021 / 2022						

Total Budget May 2021 - April 2022 £15,000.00
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Total Estimated Cost £0.00

Balance Remaining to 31/3/21 £ 15,000.00

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	Number	Original Estimated Cost	Current Estimate / Actual Cost	Totals
Total Budget May 2017 - Apr 2022				£240,000.00
Total Approved Schemes	52	£456,717.08	£438,332.49	
Total Uncommitted Balance				£231,000.00

Highway Scheme	28	£248,359.35	£248,974.76
External Contribution	22	£185,357.73	£185,357.73
	50	£433,717.08	£434,332.49

**Northumberland County Council
Ashington and Blyth Area Council
Work Programme 2021-22**

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- (a) 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.
- (b) To advise the Cabinet on budget priorities and expenditure within the Area.
- (c) 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.
- (d) 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.
- (e) 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
- (f) 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.
- (g) 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.
- (h) To inform, consult and engage local communities in accordance with Council policy and guidance, through the appropriate networks.
- (i) To, as appropriate, respond or refer with recommendations to local petitions and councillor calls for action.
- (j) To make certain appointments to outside bodies as agreed by Council.
- (k) 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.
- (l) 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.
- (m) To exercise the following functions within their area:-
 - (i) the Council's functions in relation to the survey, definition, maintenance, diversion, stopping up and creation of public rights of way.
 - (ii) the Council's functions as the Commons Registration Authority for common land and town/village greens in Northumberland.
 - (iii) the Council's functions in relation to the preparation and maintenance of the Rights of Way Improvement Plan.
 - (iv) the Council's functions in relation to the Northumberland National Park and County Joint Local Access Forum (Local Access Forums (England) Regulations 2007.

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

ISSUES TO BE SCHEDULED/CONSIDERED

Standard items updates: Public question time (bimonthly, not at planning only meetings), petitions (bimonthly, not at planning only meetings), members' local improvement schemes (quarterly).

To be listed:

- Police and Crime Commissioner
- Northumberland Rail Line
- Youth Service Provision
- Enhanced Services with Town and Parish Councils
- Off-street Electric Vehicle Charging Points
- Cycling and Walking Board
- Enforcement

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