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Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON AND SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COUNCIL to be held in SEATON SLUICE COMMUNITY CENTRE, ALBERT ROAD, SEATON SLUICE, NE26 4QX on TUESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2023 at 4.00 PM.

Yours faithfully

Dr Helen Paterson Chief Executive

To Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council members as follows:-

L Bowman, E Chicken, W Daley, C Dunbar, P Ezhilchelvan, D Ferguson, B Flux, S Lee (Vice-Chair), M Robinson, M Swinburn (Chair), C Taylor and R Wilczek (Vice-Chair (Planning))



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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. **PROCEDURE AT PLANNING MEETINGS**

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Council held on 17 January 2023 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, on 01670 623324. Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS 5.

To request the committee to decide the planning applications attached to this report using the powers delegated to it.

Please note that printed letters of objection/support are not circulated with the agenda but are available on the Council's website at http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Planning.aspx

6. 21/01588/FUL

Proposed erection of 9 no. 2 bed affordable bungalows Land north east of Hastings Hartley Arms, Lysdon Avenue, New Hartley, Northumberland.

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7. APPEALS UPDATE

For Members' information to report the progress of planning appeals. This is a monthly report and relates to appeals throughout all 5 Local Area Council Planning Committee areas and covers appeals of Strategic Planning Committee.

8. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN

This report sets out the details of the draft Local Transport Plan (LTP) programme for 2023-24 for consideration and comment by the Local Area Council, prior to final approval of the programme by the Executive Director responsible for Local Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Local Services.

Please note that members of the public are allowed questions on the following agenda item only:

9. NE DEVOLUTION UPDATE AND REGIONAL CONSULTATION

A consultation on the proposed Devolution Deal for the North East, which would see significant funds and powers transferred to the region, was launched on 26 January 2023.

The cabinets of the seven local authorities have now agreed the terms and process for the devolution deal and have approved the next stage of the plans, which include a public consultation. This is an important opportunity for residents, businesses and other stakeholders to give their feedback on the proposed changes. The item will provide a briefing on the Devolution Deal and consultation, and provide an opportunity for members to ask questions and provide their views on the proposed plans.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Council is scheduled for **Tuesday 21 March 2023**.

11. URGENT BUSINESS

To consider such other business, as in the opinion of the Chair, should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

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IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE:

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

Name:		Date of meeting:			
Meeting:					
Item to which your interest relates:					
Nature of Interest i.e. either disclosable pecuniary interest (as defined by Table 1 of Appendix B to the Code of Conduct, Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest (as defined by Appendix B to Code of Conduct) (please give details):					
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Are you int	tending to withdraw from the meeting	9	Yes - 🗌	No - 🗌	

Registering Interests

Within 28 days of becoming a member or your re-election or re-appointment to office you must register with the Monitoring Officer the interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 1 (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests)** which are as described in "The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012". You should also register details of your other personal interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 2 (Other Registerable Interests)**.

"Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" means an interest of yourself, or of your partner if you are aware of your partner's interest, within the descriptions set out in Table 1 below.

"Partner" means a spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom you are living as if you are civil partners.

- 1. You must ensure that your register of interests is kept up-to-date and within 28 days of becoming aware of any new interest, or of any change to a registered interest, notify the Monitoring Officer.
- 2. A 'sensitive interest' is as an interest which, if disclosed, could lead to the councillor, or a person connected with the councillor, being subject to violence or intimidation.
- 3. Where you have a 'sensitive interest' you must notify the Monitoring Officer with the reasons why you believe it is a sensitive interest. If the Monitoring Officer agrees they will withhold the interest from the public register.

Non participation in case of disclosable pecuniary interest

4. Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to one of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in **Table 1**, you must disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that you have an interest.

Dispensation may be granted in limited circumstances, to enable you to participate and vote on a matter in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest.

5. Where you have a disclosable pecuniary interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it.

Disclosure of Other Registerable Interests

6. Where a matter arises at a meeting which *directly relates* to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your Other Registerable Interests (as set out in **Table 2**), you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

Disclosure of Non-Registerable Interests

- 7. Where a matter arises at a meeting which *directly relates* to your financial interest or well-being (and is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest set out in **Table 1**) or a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate, you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.
- 8. Where a matter arises at a meeting which affects
 - a. your own financial interest or well-being;
 - b. a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate; or
 - c. a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under Other Registrable Interests as set out in **Table 2** you must disclose the interest. In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied
- 9. Where a matter (referred to in paragraph 8 above) *affects* the financial interest or well- being:
 - a. to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
 - b. a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise, you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.

If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

Where you have an Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it.

Table 1: Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

This table sets out the explanation of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in the <u>Relevant</u> <u>Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.</u>

Subject	Description
Employment, office, trade, profession or	Any employment, office, trade, profession or
vocation	vocation carried on for profit or gain.
	[Any unpaid directorship.]
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial
	benefit (other than from the council) made to
	the councillor during the previous 12-month
	period for expenses incurred by him/her in
	carrying out his/her duties as a councillor, or
	towards his/her election expenses.
	This includes any payment or financial benefit
	from a trade union within the meaning of the
	Trade Union and Labour Relations
• · · ·	(Consolidation) Act 1992.
Contracts	Any contract made between the councillor or
	his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with
	whom the councillor is living as if they were
	spouses/civil partners (or a firm in which such
	person is a partner, or an incorporated body of
	which such person is a director* or a body that
	such person has a beneficial interest in the
	securities of*) and the council
	(a) under which goods or services are to be
	provided or works are to be executed; and
Land and Dranautry	(b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land and Property	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the council.
	'Land' excludes an easement, servitude, interest
	or right in or over land which does not give the
	councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or
	the person with whom the councillor is living as
	if they were spouses/ civil partners (alone or
	jointly with another) a right to occupy or to
	receive income.
Licenses	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to
	occupy land in the area of the council for a
	month or longer
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to the councillor's
	knowledge)—
	(a) the landlord is the council; and
	(b) the tenant is a body that the councillor, or
	his/her spouse or civil partner or the person
	with whom the councillor is living as if they
	were spouses/ civil partners is a partner of or
	a director* of or has a beneficial interest in
	the securities* of.
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities* of a body

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where— (a) that body (to the councillor's knowledge) has	
a place of business or land in the area of the council; and	
(b) either—	
 i. the total nominal value of the securities* exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or ii. if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the councillor, or his/ her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total 	
issued share capital of that class.	

* 'director' includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society.

* 'securities' means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

Table 2: Other Registrable Interests

You have a personal interest in any business of your authority where it relates to or is likely to affect:

- a) any body of which you are in general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority
- b) any body
 - i. exercising functions of a public nature
 - ii. any body directed to charitable purposes or
 - iii. one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)