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Date: Thursday, 29 September 2022

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the CASTLE MORPETH LOCAL AREA COUNCIL to be held in COUNCIL CHAMBER - COUNTY HALL on MONDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2022 at 4.00 PM.

Yours faithfully

Rick O'Farrell

Interim Chief Executive

To Castle Morpeth Local Area Council members as follows:-

D Bawn, J Beynon (Chair), L Darwin, S Dickinson, R Dodd, L Dunn, J Foster (Vice-Chair (Planning)), P Jackson, V Jones, M Murphy, G Sanderson, D Towns (Vice-Chair) and R Wearmouth





AGENDA

PART I

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

1. PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT PLANNING MEETINGS

(Pages 1 - 2)

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. **MINUTES** (Pages 3 - 24)

- (a) Minutes of the meeting of the Castle Morpeth Local Area Council held on Monday 11July 2022, as circulated, to be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.
- (b) Minutes of the meeting of the Castle Morpeth Local Area Council held on Monday 8 August 2022, 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 where a matter arises at a meeting;

- a. Which directly relates to Disclosable Pecuniary Interest ('DPI') as set out in Appendix B, Table 1 of the Code of Conduct, to disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote and not to remain in room. Where members have a DPI or if the matter concerns an executive function and is being considered by a Cabinet Member with a DPI they must notify the Monitoring Officer and arrange for somebody else to deal with the matter.
- b. Which directly relates to the financial interest or well being of a Other Registrable Interest as set out in Appendix B, Table 2 of the Code of Conduct to disclose the interest and only speak on the matter 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 the room.
- c. Which **directly relates to** their financial interest or well-being (and is not DPI) or the financial well being of a relative or close associate, to declare the interest and members may only speak on the matter if members of the public are also allowed to speak. Otherwise, the member must not take part in discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room.

- d. Which **affects** the financial well-being of the member, a relative or close associate or a body included under the Other Registrable Interests column in Table 2, to disclose the interest and apply the test set out at paragraph 9 of Appendix B before deciding whether they may remain in the meeting.
- e. Where Members have or a Cabinet Member has an Other Registerable Interest or Non Registerable Interest in a matter being considered in exercise of their executive function, they must notify the Monitoring Officer and arrange for somebody else to deal with it.

NB Any member needing clarification must contact monitoringofficer@northumberland.gov.uk. Members are referred to the Code of Conduct which contains the matters above in full. Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

5. DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(Pages 25 - 28)

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. 21/01137/FUL

(Pages 29 - 44)

Construction of two residential properties, including new vehicular access, with associated drainage and infrastructure Land North West of Garden Cottage, Front Street, Ellington, Northumberland

7. 21/04413/FUL

(Pages 45 - 70)

Conversion of outbuildings to two holiday lets, repair/reconfiguring of third outbuilding for storage ancillary to Hall and landscaping including new car park and main entrance to south elevation of Hall South Hall, Ingoe, Newcastle Upon Tyne, Northumberland, NE20 0SR

8. 21/04414/LBC

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Listed building consent for conversion of outbuildings to two holiday lets, repair/reconfiguring of third outbuilding for storage ancillary to Hall and landscaping including new car park and main entrance to south elevation of Hall

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South Hall, Ingoe, Newcastle Upon Tyne, Northumberland, NE20 0SR

9. 22/01923/FUL

(Pages 85 - 94)

Installation of a 30m x 3.65m fully carpeted single bay practice facility and fully enclosed single bay cricket cage with heavy duty galvanized tubular uprights and netting. Single pedestrian gate. White netting added behind bowler to act as a sight screen and install three protective sheets around each side of the batting end. Ulgham Playing Field, Ulgham Lane, Ulgham, Northumberland NE61 3BG

10. 22/02252/FUL

(Pages 95 - 102)

Proposed construction of detached standalone garden room to rear garden area.

Hepscott Hall, Side Lane, Hepscott, Morpeth Northumberland NE61 6LT

11. APPEALS UPDATE

(Pages 103 -112)

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.

12. 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.

13. PETITIONS

(Pages 113 -

This item is to:

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- (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:
 - Petition Against On-Going Planning Issues And Environmental Destruction On Land To The South Of St Mary's Park, Stannington - Report Attached
- (c) Receive any updates on petitions for which a report was previously considered: any updates will be verbally reported at the meeting.

14. 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.

15. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

(Pages 121 -

Members are asked to confirm if they wish to remain as appointees to the outside bodies which were agreed by the Castle Morpeth Local Area Council in July 2022 as follows:-

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Choppington Education Foundation – M Murphy
Druridge Bay Regeneration Partnership – S Dickinson
Friends of Morpeth Museum – D Bawn
Greater Morpeth Development Trust – R Wearmouth
Linton Village Hall Management Committee – L Dunn
Lynemouth Welfare Management Committee – L Dunn
Stakeford/Bomarsund Social Welfare Centre – J Foster and M Murphy

A report is also attached appraising members of the nomination rights of the Council to the Stakeford and Bomarsund Sports and Social Welfare Centre (the Centre) and suggest nominations for members to consider.

16. MEMBERS LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

(Pages 127 -

Details of the Members Local Improvement Schemes for the Castle Morpeth area are provided for information.

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17. LOCAL AREA COUNCIL WORK PROGRAMME

(Pages 155 -

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).

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18. 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.

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):						
Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?		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 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		
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	(a) under which goods or services are to be		
	provided or works are to be executed; and		
	(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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- (a) that body (to the councillor's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the council; and
- (b) either—
 - 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)