

Northumberland County Council
Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council
Work Programme 2022-23

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

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 (bimonthly)

To be listed:

Enhanced Services with Parish and Town Councils

Off-street Electric Vehicle Charging Points

Cycling and Walking Board

Enforcement

Speeding across Northumberland

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18 May 2022

- Planning
- Petitions
- Local Services Update
- Appointment to Outside Bodies
- Members' Local Improvement Schemes

22 June 2022

- Planning and Rights of Way

20 July 2022

- Planning and Rights of Way
- Petitions
- Fostering Service
- Local Services Update
- Members' Local Improvement Schemes

17 August 2022

- Planning and Rights of Way

21 September 2022

- Planning and Rights of Way
- Local Services Update
- Member's Local Improvement Schemes

19 October 2022

- Planning and Rights of Way

23 November 2022	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning • Local Services Update • Members' Local Improvement Schemes • <i>Other items to be confirmed</i>
21 December 2022	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and Rights of Way
17 January 2023	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning • Budget 2023-24 and Medium Term Financial Plan • Local Services Update • Members' Local Improvement Schemes • <i>Other items to be confirmed</i>
21 February 2023	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and Rights of Way • Local Transport Plan Programme
21 March 2023	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning • Local Services Update • Members' Local Improvement Schemes • <i>Other items to be confirmed</i>
19 April 2023	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and Rights of Way

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Monitoring Report 2022-23

Date	Report	Decision	Outcome
23.03.22	Local Services Update	That the information be noted and issues set out in the bullet points be followed up.	
	Bedlington Town Centre Redevelopment Update	Councillor Ploszaj advised that regular updates would be provided to West Bedlington Town Council in the future.	A written response be provided to Councillor Wilczek's questions (R O'Farell).
18.05.22	Petition	That the petition be received.	A report would be presented to the Committee at the meeting of 20 July.
	Local Services Update	That the information be noted and issues set out in the bullet points be followed up.	
	Outside Bodies	That the list of appointments be confirmed.	
	Members Local Improvement Schemes	That the information be noted.	
26.06.22	Planning Applications		

20.07.22	Petition	Petition requesting an extension/amendment to the existing speed limit and extent of the road safety scheme in Seaton Sluice.	RESOLVED that the content of the report be noted including the issues raised and a new speed survey be undertaken as part of the A193 Links Road preliminary design work study and a copy of the study be provided to the local Ward Councillor on its completion.
	Fostering Services	RESOLVED that the information be noted.	
	Local Services Update	RESOLVED that the information be noted and issues set out in the bullet points above be followed up.	