

Northumberland County Council

Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Committee Work Programme 2023-24

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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 Committees, or through the Panel of Local Area Committee 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.

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:

Newcastle Airport

Invite to Parish and Town Clerks – January

Fix My Street - January

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19 July 2023

- Petitions (if any)
- Community Chest Grant (presentation)
- Update on Domestic Abuse
- Local Bus Board
- Local Services Update
- Appointment to Outside Bodies

23 August 2023

- Planning and Rights of Way

20 September 2023

- Planning and Rights of Way
- Family Hub Offer
- Northumbria Police
- Cramlington Town Council Youth Community Team

18 October 2023

- Planning and Rights of Way

22 November 2023

- Winter Services Update
- Budget Discussion
- Bedlington Place Plan and Town Centre

20 December 2023

- Planning and Rights of Way

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| Date | Report | Decision | Outcome |
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| 19.07.23 | Community Chest Grants Cramlington Voluntary Youth Project | RESOLVED that the information be noted. | |
| | Update on Domestic Abuse | RESOLVED that the information be noted. | |
| | Local Bus Board | RESOLVED that Councillor Swinburn be appointed to represent Cramlington, Bedlington & Seaton Valley Local Area Committee on the Northumberland Local Bus Board. | The Systra Pinch Point survey would be forwarded to the Democratic Services Officer to circulate to members of the local area committee in due course. |
| | Outside Bodies | RESOLVED that the list of appointments be confirmed. | |
| 23.08.23 | Planning applications | | |
| 20.09.23 | Anti-Social Behaviour | RESOLVED that the information be noted. | |

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| | Family Hub Offer | RESOLVED that the information be noted. | |
| | Cramlington Youth & Community Team | RESOLVED that the information be noted. | |