

# **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:**

**Bedlington Petition – 29 May**

**Decommissioning of analogue telephone lines**

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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

24 January 2024

- Fix My Street
- Budget Presentation 20 February 2024

20 February 2024

- Draft Local Transport Plan

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Date	Report	Decision	Outcome
19.07.23	Community Chest Grants Cramlington Voluntary Youth Project	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	
	Update on Domestic Abuse	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	
	Local Bus Board	<b>RESOLVED</b> 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	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the list of appointments be confirmed.	
23.08.23	Planning applications		
20.09.23	Anti-Social Behaviour	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	
	Family Hub Offer	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	
	Cramlington Youth & Community Team	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	

<b>22.11.23</b>	Bedlington Place Plan and Town Centre Regeneration Update	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted and a meeting arranged with Bedlington County Councillors, Bedlington Parish and Town Councillors and those residents who had raised concerns.	
<b>24.01.24</b>	Fix My Street	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the presentation be received.	
	Parish/Town Clerk Discussion	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	
	Budget 2024-25 and Medium Term Financial Plan	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the information be noted.	
<b>20.02.24</b>	Local Transport Plan	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The report be received and noted.</li> <li>b. Members' comments be considered in the finalisation of the LTP Programme and the additional £4.45 million Highway Maintenance Investment in U and C Roads and Footways programme for 2024-25.</li> </ul>	