

HEXHAM TOWN COUNCIL

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT a meeting of the Hexham Town Council Planning & Infrastructure Committee will be held in the Council Office, St Andrew's Cemetery, West Road, Hexham on Thursday 27 February 2020 at 9.30am when the following items will be discussed:

A G E N D A

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To receive minutes of the Planning and Infrastructure Committee meeting held 11 February 2020, enclosed.
3. Matters arising.
4. Declarations of interest (see enclosed).
5. To comment on Planning Applications received (see enclosed).
6. To consider a proposed cycle path from Haydon Bridge to Hexham.
7. To consider S106 funding.
8. To consider correspondence received (if any).
9. To agree a date and time for the next meeting.
10. Any urgent matters at the Chairman of the meeting's discretion. *(Matters to be raised under this item should be written out (if possible) and handed to the Chairman of the meeting or the Town Clerk before the meeting begins.)*



Jane Kevan
Town Clerk
21 February 2020

Hexham Town Council
Council Office
St Andrew's Cemetery
West Road
Hexham
NE46 3RR
01434 609575
clerk@hexhamtowncouncil.gov.uk
HagendaNo2 0220 PlanningInfrastructureCommittee

HEXHAM TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11 FEBRUARY 2020

1309.	PRESENT: Councillor R Hull in the chair and Councillors J Ord, J V R Hare, C Hanley and D Bell.
1310.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillor Gillanders.
1311.	MINUTES of the Committee meeting held 28 January 2020, having been circulated, were AGREED.
1312.	<p>MATTERS ARISING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) CEMETERY GATEPOST FINIAL (minute 1306 refers). It was noted that this had been repaired and reinstalled by Heritage Consolidation Ltd. b) SEAT ON HALLSTILE BANK (minute 1301a and action refers). It was noted that an email sent on 29 January has to date not been responded to. It was AGREED not to pursue this matter unless a response is received. c) NEW BINS (minute 1301e and action log refers). It was noted that these had been ordered. d) CARBON FOOTPRINT (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted that this may be completed by a Newcastle University student. e) SLEEKBURN RECYCLING PLANT (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted that an offer for a visit on 10 March had been made and forwarded to all Councillors. f) NORTHUMBRIAN WATER GRANT (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted that the water fountains have lead pipes so may not be used and that the Community Partnership has not applied for a grant. g) ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted that Councillor Hull has contacted the Courant and that nominations for an inaugural award have been promoted on the Council's website and by the Partnership. h) ELECTRICAL SUPPLY AND VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted that a response from Westalls has been requested. i) HEXHAM IN BLOOM (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted that a useful meeting attended by representatives from both Councils and Hexham in Bloom had been held. j) BAT BOXES SUPPLIER (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted that this information has been requested. k) SUSTAINABILITY ACTION PLAN SUMMARY (minute 1305 and action log refers). It was noted this had been considered by the Full Council on 10 February.
1313.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were no declarations of interest..
1314.	PLANNING APPLICATIONS: It was AGREED there was no objections to, or

	comments on, the applications received in accordance with the list circulated and attached to the agenda, except in respect of 20/00020/LBC (9 Battle Hill) where the Council objects because of the size of the proposed lettering in relation to the shop window being too large, and the colour not being in keeping with the Hexham Shopfront Design Guide.
1315.	STREET SIGNS: the faded and out of date signs at the various ways in to Hexham were considered. It was AGREED these should be replaced with a simple modern design, possibly on wood, and to research this.
1316.	SECTION 106 FUNDING: This was considered. It was AGREED to research what had been requested elsewhere and to put this on the next agenda.
1317.	POST OFFICE: Notice of the confirmed move of the Post Office was noted. It was AGREED to make sure this would be in the Courant and to add to news on the Council website.
1318.	PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDERS: It was AGREED to ask the Police and County Council for any evidence or comments before responding to a request for the Town Council's views.
1319.	NEXT MEETING: It was AGREED that the next Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 27 February at 9.30am in the Council Office, St Andrew's Cemetery, Hexham.

Action Log

Write to thank Heritage Consolidation Ltd (and Val Robson) (minute 1312a)	Clerk
Remind non-responded Councillors re offer of site visit to Sleekburn on 10 March (minute 1312e)	Clerk
Re-contact Westalls re electrical supply and vehicle charging points (minute 1312h)	Clerk
Research street signs (minute 1315)	Clerk
Research S106 funding (minute 1316)	Clerk
Contact Courant and add news item to the website re the Post Office move (minute 1317)	Clerk/Admin Officer
Contact Police and NCC re Public Spaces Protection Orders (minute 1318)	Clerk

Chairman.....

HEXHAM TOWN COUNCIL – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Under the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on 3 September 2012 Councillors must declare if they have a disclosable interest in any matters under consideration.

To do so Councillors must use one of the following statements:

1. “I have a disclosable pecuniary interest
in..... (for example) Agenda item 3, Planning
application number 14/1234”.
(**NOTE**: Code of Conduct paragraphs 11&15 apply).

2. “I have a disclosable personal interest
in..... (for example) Agenda item 4, Grant
aid application by Hexham Youth Initiative
(**NOTE**: Code of Conduct paragraph 13 applies).

Councillors should familiarise themselves with the Code of Conduct regarding the definitions of (A) pecuniary interest and (B) other personal interest and their obligations when declaring any such interests.

To ensure Councillors interests are correctly minuted please use one of the above statements when declaring an interest.

NB. Should a Councillor wish to take part in the consideration and voting on a matter or matters in which he/she has a disclosable interest then they may request a dispensation be granted to enable them to take part in the discussion and voting on it but at least 10 days’ notice must be given for any dispensation request.

HEXHAM TOWN COUNCIL
Planning & Infrastructure Committee

PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY
COUNCIL FOR COMMENT ON 27 FEBRUARY 2020

Reference		Applicant
20/00233/FUL	Proposed single storey rear extension at 30 Windsor Terrace, Hexham	Ms Laura Horne
20/00220/FUL & 20/00221/LBC	Proposed erection of two car garage and new entrance from Highford Lane at Westburn, Causey Hill Road, Hexham	Mr & Mrs Beattie
20/00351/ADE	Advertisement consent for proposed fascia sign at 45 Hallstile Bank, Hexham	Mr Sadat Yildiz
20/00015/LBC	Change the front shop fascia from a modern metal structure with illuminated sign to a wooden old style Victorian shop front and sign at Oven and Grill, Ground to second floors, 4 Battle Hill, Hexham	Mr Mojtaba Rezaie
20/00390/FUL	Proposed conservatory to rear of 37 St Matthew's Road, Hexham	Mrs Nichol

Applications to be commented upon under Committee's delegated powers (minute 6588 refers).

Any objections made on applications must be 'material planning considerations'. To be material, a matter must relate to the "purposes of planning". The views of local Councils and other consultees can only be taken into account by the planning authority if they are material. Such comments must always bear in mind that:

"The purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development" (Paragraph 6 National Planning Policy Framework)

There is no definitive list but examples are:

- National planning policy
- The local planning authority's planning policies (including Neighbourhood Plans)
- Overlooking/loss of privacy
- Loss of light or overshadowing
- Parking, means of access, highway safety and traffic
- Noise, odours
- Effect on listed building and conservation area
- Layout and density of building
- Design, appearance and materials
- Nature conservation
- Flood risk
- Crime prevention and community safety
- Previous planning decisions
- Views of parish and town councils

- Views of statutory consultees: Highway Authority/Environment Agency/English Heritage/Sport England/Others (neighbouring LPA, HSE, etc.)

Non-material planning considerations include:

- Loss of view
- Negative effects on the value of other properties
- Land ownership or restrictive covenants
- Applicant's personal circumstances or past conduct (unless exceptional, such as relating to a physical disability in certain circumstances)
- Business competition
- Matters controlled under building regulations or other non-planning legislation
- Disabled person's access
- The nature of the applicant or owner
- Prospect of a "better" proposal

These are subject to change in national legislation or planning policy.

NB All planning applications (and related decisions) are online at:

<http://publicaccess.northumberland.gov.uk/online-applications>

If Hexham Town Council objects to an application listed above the objection is lodged online.