

## HEXHAM TOWN COUNCIL

**I GIVE NOTICE THAT** an online meeting of the Hexham Town Council Planning & Infrastructure Committee will be held on Thursday 7 May 2020 at 10.00am 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 14 April 2020, enclosed.
3. Matters arising.
4. Declarations of interest (see enclosed).
5. To comment on Planning Applications received (see enclosed).
6. To consider correspondence received (if any).
7. To agree a date and time for the next meeting.
8. 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.*)



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**HEXHAM TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14 APRIL 2020**

1354.	PRESENT: Councillor R Hull in the chair and Councillors J Ord, C Hanley, J V R Hare and T G E Gillanders.
1355.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillor Bell.
1356.	MINUTES of the Committee meeting held 26 March 2020, having been circulated, were AGREED.
1357.	MATTERS ARISING: There were no matters arising. It was noted that the Clerk is working from home and the action log remains unchanged.
1358.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were no declarations of interest.
1359.	PLANNING APPLICATIONS: It was AGREED there was no objection to, or comment on, the applications received in accordance with the list circulated and attached to the agenda, except to support the Building Conservation Officer's comments relating to 20/00723/FUL (Briarbank, 4 Windmill Hill). Application 20/01043/VARYCO (Breckon Hill, Lowgate) was also considered and it was AGREED there is no objection subject to the archeological report being considered satisfactory.
1360.	LOCAL ELECTRICITY BILL: It was AGREED to support this.
1361.	RECYCLING BIN: Regular contamination of the bin in the Market Place was considered. It was AGREED to have a sign made to clarify what may be recycled.
1362.	NEXT MEETING: It was AGREED that the next Committee meeting will be arranged as required.

**Action Log**

Pursue more quotes re heating the Chapel and electrical supply and vehicle charging points (minute 1347a)	Clerk
Further research tractor options (minute 1347b)	Clerk/ Operations Manager
Respond to the Pennine Journey Supporters Club (minute 1347d)	Clerk
Advise of support for the Local Electricity Bill (minute 1360)	Clerk
Arrange a recycling bin information sign (minute 1361)	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 7 MAY 2020**

<b>Reference</b>		<b>Applicant</b>
20/01131/FUL	Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of a 1.5 storey dwelling at Glenfield, Leazes Lane, Hexham	Mr & Mrs Bigg
20/01186/FUL	Proposed single storey rear extension at 6 West Hextol Close, Hexham	Mr Chris Burke
20/00633/FUL	Two storey extension to rear and side of 64 White Cross, Hexham	Mr Stephen Plemper
20/01290/FUL	Single storey rear extension at 16 Priestlands, Hexham	Alice Graham

**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.