

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING & INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14 FEBRUARY 2023 (5.30-6.55pm)**

1944.	PRESENT: Councillors Ord, Baty, Domingue, Grennan and O'Farrell.
1945.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillors Hartland and Kennedy.
1946.	MINUTES of the Committee meeting held 11 January, having been circulated, were AGREED.
1947.	MATTERS ARISING: Updates to the action log were noted and it was further AGREED to continue to trial the related shared Clerk and Officers report.
1948.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were no declarations of interest made.
1949.	CLERK AND OFFICERS REPORT: It was AGREED that all Councillors on the Committee will update this document as appropriate, for instance noting that the next Hexham Net Zero Fair will be held on 18 March.
1950.	GOVERNMENT FUNDED EV CHARGEPOINTS: It was noted that Char.gy Limited had advised that the Government had suspended the funding for EV chargepoints for Town and Parish Councils so it was not worth making a presentation. It was AGREED that Councillor Domingue will check this suspension and funding status with Matt Baker, NCC Service Director.
1951.	CORRESPONDENCE: It was noted that no correspondence had been received.
1952.	PLANNING APPLICATIONS: It was noted that the first four applications listed on the agenda (as still listed on NCC's Planning Portal consultation list when the agenda was prepared) had previously been considered (and the Planning Portal was updated prior to the meeting). It was AGREED there were no objections to the applications received in accordance with the remaining list circulated and attached to the agenda, except for 22/04515/FUL (Carntyne Residential Home) where it was AGREED to object and support the local resident's comments and objection. Also, regarding 23/00062/FUL (13 Loughbrow Park), it was AGREED not to object but to recommend that the highest possible standards of insulation and glazing are used.
1953.	NEXT MEETING: It was noted that the date of the next Committee meeting will be Tuesday 7 March 2023 at 5.30pm.

Action Log

Produce and circulate map for proposed EV charging points (minute 1935).	Councillor Domingue/Clerk
To continue to consider former HMS site/affordable housing (minute 1889b)	Councillor Grennan to arrange a meeting
Pursue quote to progress recommended electrical remedial works to facilitate EV charging points at Cemetery (minute 1935)	Clerk
Arrange further visit re more allotments at Wydon Park (minute 1935)	Councillors Grennan and Ord
Provide update on the Hexham Net Zero Action Plan children's competition (minute 1935)	Councillor Domingue
Hold further Cycling Links meeting (minute 1935)	Councillor Domingue
Produce report detailing the various site options for noticeboard (minute 1935)	Clerk
Research funding possibilities for accessible equipment for the Tyne Green play area (minute 1935)	Clerk
Continue to discuss project for NCC Climate Change Funding (minute 1935)	Councillor Baty and Clerk
Agree a meeting date for the Cemetery Biodiversity Working Party (minute 1935)	Clerk/Members
Seek quotes for various Bus Shelter designs outside Hexham Police Station (minute 1935)	Clerk