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## **ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

You are hereby invited to attend a meeting of the **Finance & General Purposes Committee** to be held in the **Council Chamber, Ashington Town Hall, 65 Station Road, Ashington NE63 8RX, on Tuesday, 26 January 2016, at 6:00pm.**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

**Mike Slaughter**  
Clerk of the Town Council

**21 January 2016**

## **OPEN SESSION**

The Chair to invite members of the public present to put questions to, or draw relevant matters to the attention of the Committee, prior to commencement of business. This is for a period of 15 minutes overall and is limited to 3 minutes per person.

## **OPEN AGENDA**

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

### **2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest, (which includes any disclosable pecuniary interest), they may have in any of the items included on the agenda for the meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on the 3 July 2012.

Members are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room. Any member needing clarification must contact the Town Clerk.

### **3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

To sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2015.

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

To consider any matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

**5. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT (Appendix 1)**

To consider a request for financial support from the following organisation:-

- Choysez – Easter Holiday “Activity Days”

**6. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS (Appendix 2)**

To receive a full Schedule of all payments made for the financial period 19 November 2015 to 21 January 2016.

**7. DRAFT BUDGET 2016/17 (Appendix 3)**

To consider and discuss the Draft Budget for 2016/17.

**8. HIRST PARK REVIVAL PROJECT – 1<sup>ST</sup> ROUND HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND (HLF)**

To receive an update from the Town Clerk on the project plans and 1<sup>st</sup> Round funding.

**9. ALLOTMENTS CAPITAL PROGRAMME (Appendix 4)**

To consider and discuss the Allotments Capital Programme and further planned work.

**10. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

**11. DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Financial & General Purposes Committee is arranged for 6:00pm on Tuesday, 23 February 2016, in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Ashington.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

**Vicky Brown (Chair), Kris Lavery (Vice-Chair), Les Alderson, Victor Bridges, Louis Brown, Keith Chambers, Marjorie Chambers, Avril Chisholm, Glyn Davies, Stephen Fenwick, Lawrence Henderson, Maggie Lang, Liam Lavery, Mark Purvis, Wyn Stewart, Pauline Thompson, Ely Turnbull, Bob Walkinshaw.**