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ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

You are hereby invited to attend a meeting of **ASHINGTON TOWN COUNCIL** to be held at the **Council Chamber, Ashington Town Hall, 65 Station Road, Ashington NE63 8RX** on **Tuesday 13 September 2016, at 7:00 pm.**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Mike Slaughter
Clerk of the Town Council

2 September 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. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive a verbal report from the Chair

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 7 June 2016.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

6. LEADER'S REPORT

To receive a verbal report from the Leader of the Council.

7. MEMBER REPRESENTATION ON EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

- (i) To receive update reports from members formally representing the Town Council on outside bodies:
- Arch – Stakeholder Group for Town Centre Regeneration
(Cllrs S.Fenwick & M.Chambers)
 - Hirst Park – Heritage Lottery Bid
(Cllr.M.Chambers)
- (ii) To appoint Town Council representatives to the following groups:
- Ashington Market Partnership
(2 Elected Members)
 - Neighbourhood Services Partnership
(2 Elected Members)

8. COUNCILLOR NON-ATTENDANCE/PERSISTENT ABSENCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 S85 (1) – (Appendix 1)

To receive an update report from the Leader of the Council on the non-attendance and long-term absence of members of the Town Council.

9. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT – ASHINGTON MEMORIAL GARDEN (Appendix 2)

To consider and discuss the Internal Auditor's report on the overall project and operational management.

10. NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION - PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER (PSPO) FOR THE CONTROL OF DOGS. (Appendix 3)

To consider and discuss the PSPO proposals.

11. DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Full Council is arranged for Tuesday 8 November 2016, in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, 65 Station Road, Ashington NE63 8RX.

ASHINGTON TOWN COUNCILLORS:

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