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To: **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 7 February 2017 at 7:00pm**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Mike Slaughter  
Clerk to the Town Council

30 January 2017

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## **OPEN SESSION**

The Chair to invite members of the public present to put questions to, or draw relevant matters to the attention of the Council, 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 Full Council meeting held on 8 November 2016.

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS.**

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. TOWN COUNCIL CO-OPTIONS.**

To properly consider and discuss formal applications for Co-option to the current Town Council vacancy in:

- Haydon Ward (1 Member)

**8. BUDGET & PRECEPT 2017/18 (Appendix 1).**

To discuss and agree the Town Council Annual Budget and Precept Requirement for the 2017/18 Financial Year.

**9. RISK MANAGEMENT AND EFFECTIVE CONTROLS (Appendix 2)**

To consider and review the Council's Risk Assessment Register.

**10. MEMBER REPRESENTATION ON EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS.**

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 Revival Project (Heritage Lottery Fund) (Cllr.M.Chambers)

**11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS.**

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

The next meeting of the Full Council is arranged for Tuesday 7 March 2017, in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, 65 Station Road, Ashington NE63 8RX.

**ASHINGTON TOWN COUNCILLORS:**

**Avril Chisholm (Chair), Victor Bridges (Vice-Chair), Louis Brown, Vicky Brown, Marjorie Chambers, Nicola Chambers, Mathew Cuthbert, Glyn Davies, Stephen Fenwick, Lynne Grimshaw, Lawrence Henderson, Kris Lavery, Liam Lavery, Mark Purvis, Pauline Thompson, Ely Turnbull, Bob Walkinshaw.**