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To: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the FINANCE AND GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE to be held at via zoom, on Tuesday 14 December 2021 at 6:00pm.

The agenda for the meeting is set out below, along with associated papers. If you have any questions about any of the items on the agenda, please contact the office.

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Sarah Eden Clerk to the Town Council 7th December 2021

AGENDA

1. WELCOME BY THE CHAIR

Welcome by Cllr Lynne Grimshaw.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.

Members are also reminded that they need to regularly review their declarations of interest forms and ensure they remain up to date.

4. DISPENSATIONS

To receive and consider any dispensations.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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.

6. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

To receive and sign as a true record, the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th October 2021 (enc)ⁱ

7. CLERK AND OFFICER UPDATES

To receive an update on items actioned since the previous meeting (enc)

8. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURE 2021/22

a) Updated Budget Report

To receive updated budget report and address any questions to the Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) (enc)ⁱⁱⁱ

b) Accounts Paid and to be Paid

To receive a schedule of accounts and endorse those accounts paid via delegated authority, and approve those accounts to be paid, since 8th July 2021 (enc)^{iv}

9. CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP

a) Report of the meeting held on 14th October 2021

To receive a report of the meeting (enc)^v

b) Recommendations

To receive, consider, and agree the recommended actions of the working group (reported in bold)

10. PLAY AREA WORKING GROUP

To agree a working group to look at the future development and improvement of Alexandra Road Play Area, and seek the names of those Cllrs who wish to be involved

11. SMALL GRANTS APPLICATIONS

a) Gymnastics Club

To receive details of the application received and agree any level of funding (enc)vi

12. CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL

To agree to gift ASDA vouchers totalling £620, previously purchased by the Council, to the toy appeals at Real Deal Plus, Salvation Army and Heart of the Hirst

13. STREET NAMING - SEATON VALE SITE

To receive communication from Northumberland County Council on proposed street naming for Seaton Vale (enc)^{vii}, and agree a response (these will include an appropriate suffix):

i. Formby iii. Tralee v. Trevose ii. Fairhaven iv. Truro vi. Kingsdown

14. DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

Tuesday 18 January 2022, 6:00pm. (venue to be confirmed)

ASHINGTON TOWN COUNCILLORS

Lynne Grimshaw (Chair), John Tully (Vice-Chair), Eleanor Armstrong, Caroline Ball, Michelle Brannigan, Victor Bridges, Louis Brown, Vicky Brown, Marjorie Chambers, Avril Chisholm, Matthew Cuthbert, Grimshaw, Lawrence Henderson, Jim Lang, Liam Lavery, Mark Purvis, Sophie Robinson, Pauline Thompson, Bob Walkinshaw.

ENCLOSURES

ⁱ Draft Minutes of the Finance and General Services Committee, 5th October 2021

ii Clerk and Officer Update

iii Updated Budget Report, December 2021

iv Schedule of accounts paid and to be paid, since 8th July 2021

^v Report of Climate Change Working Group Meeting, 14th October 2021

vi Gymnastics Club Funding Report

vii NCC Street Naming – Site Layout (Seaton Vale)