

NORTH TAWTON TOWN COUNCIL

Town Clerk:
Mrs R Rice

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You are hereby summoned to an Ordinary Meeting of North Tawton Town Council to be held at the **Council Offices on Tuesday 13th January 2015 at 7.30 pm.**

Dated this 6th January 2015


Clerk of the Council

AGENDA

Open Forum – An opportunity for the Electors and others to address the Town Council.

The Council encourages the use of an Open forum. This will allow Members of the Public to address the Town Council. Time will be limited to two minutes per person unless the Chairman rules otherwise. If research is needed members of the public are asked to indicate what is needed in advance to the clerk otherwise – if appropriate - an item will be placed on a future agenda. A brief note will be made of any discussion at this point. Please note that Councillors are not obliged to give their opinion or answer questions.

1. **Apologies for Absence** - To receive and approve apologies from Councillors unable to attend.
2. **Declarations of Interest** - Councillors are invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting.

If Councillors have any questions relating to predetermination, bias or interests in items on this Agenda, then please contact the Clerk in the first instance.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meetings

- 3.1 To approve and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of North Tawton Town Council held at the Council Offices on Tuesday 2nd December 2014. (attached)
- 3.2 To approve and sign the Minutes of the North Tawton Town Council Finance Committee held at the Council Office on Thursday 11th December 2014. (attached)
- 3.3 To approve and sign the Minutes of the North Tawton Town Council Estates Committee held at the Council Offices on Thursday 11th December 2014. (attached)

4. Updates

- 4.1 Chairman to update the Council on various issues.
- 4.2 To receive a brief update from Cllr Dr. P Brickley regarding the Neighbourhood Plan project.
- 4.3 To receive a brief update from Cllr I MacLeod/Cllr S Blood regarding Denbrook.
- 4.4 To receive a brief update from Cllr N Morgan (WDBC Ward Member).
- 4.5 To receive a brief update regarding the North Tawton Engagement Group.

5. Ongoing issues

'Action Log' attached at Annex A

6. Setting the Precept 2015/16

To consider the two options for the precept for 2015/16, as recommended by the Finance Committee at their meeting held on Thursday 11th December 2014.

Option A – To recommend to full Council a precept request from West Devon Borough Council for the year 2015/16 of £90,178 (this figure does not allow for any contribution to reserves for the year 2015/16.)

Option B – To recommend to full Council a precept request from West Devon Borough Council for the year 2015/16 of £96,178 (this figure does allow for a contribution of £6,000 to reserves for the year 2015/16).

7. Works/Purchases

To consider priority for works/purchases as recommended by the Estates Committee at their meeting held on Thursday 11th December 2014.

- Purchase of replacement benches, 3 this financial year, and thereafter 2 per year. (Currently £507 per bench)
- Purchase of defibrillator. (Estimate £2500)
- Repairs to the stone walling opposite Fire Station. (Prices to be obtained)
- Repairs to the stone walling on boundary of Cemetery. (Prices to be obtained)
- Replacement of Chapel of Rest Roof. (Prices to be obtained)
- Purchase a new set of swings for the Memorial Park. (prices to be obtained). To evaluate, in consultation with the Friends of the Park and the Trustees of the Memorial Park, a plan for improvements in the Memorial Park, in the light of the Section 106 funding from Wainhomes.

8. Consultations/Newsletters

- 8.1 Department for Communities and Local Government – Parish Polls
Consultation on the Government's intentions to modernise parish poll regulations – Annex B
- 8.2 Devon Countryside Access Forum – Annex C

9. Recycling Project

To consider how the Recycling Project should be progressed.

10. Parish Links Committee

To note the dates of the Eastern Links Committee meetings and to nominate a second representative to attend the Eastern Links Committee meetings. Annex D

11. TAP funding

To consider ideas for TAP funding. (deadline for submission of application 14th February 2015.

12. Community Market – North Tawton Town Hall

To consider the matter of a Community Market being held in the Town Hall – Annex E

13. Disabled Car Parking Bay

To consider the request for the Town Council to support the request for a disabled car parking bay to be situated outside 8 Moor View, North Tawton.

14. PLANNING MATTERS

To consider the planning applications received from West Devon Borough Council and to make recommendations.

14.1 01433/2014 – Report attached

Plot 1A Taw Vale Avenue, North Tawton, EX20 2AZ

Householder application for the installation of rooflight to create roof space accommodation

To note decisions of West Devon Borough Council

14.2 01220/2014

Easthill Bungalow, North Tawton, EX20 2BS
Replacement agricultural building for storage
Conditional consent 9/12/14

14.3 01152/2014

Householder application for part demolition, alterations and extension to Ashridge Estate House, including new east wing, remodelled west wing and removal of storey above portico and installation of solar panels
Ashridge Court, Ashridge Lane, North Tawton, EX20 2DH
Conditional consent 28/11/14

14.4 01161/2014

Erection of tow cream silos
Taw Valley Creamery, North Tawton, EX20 2DA
Conditional consent 28/11/14

14.5 01242/2014

Ground Floor Flat, 5 The Square, North Tawton, EX290 2ER
Certificate of Lawful Development for existing use of building for residential use.
Granted 28/11/14

15. FINANCE

15.1 Invoices. To approve payments listed at Annex E (to follow) in accordance with bank mandate.

15.2 Monthly statement – to receive the monthly statement and to consider adoption. To make the appropriate transfer from reserve accounts to current account to allow payments to be made.

16. Questions/Comments from members of the public

The meeting shall be suspended prior to Any Other Business to allow members of the public to comment/ask a question. Time shall be limited up to a maximum of 15 minutes.

17. Parish Matters

No decision may lawfully be made under this item but matters may be discussed which involve no more than an exchange of information.

18. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Council shall be Tuesday 3rd February 2015

PART II

EXEMPT REPORTS:

That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by S.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.