NORTH TAWTON TOWN COUNCIL

Town Clerk: Mrs R Rice 14a The Square North Tawton EX20 2EP Tel 01837 880121

You are hereby summoned to an Ordinary Meeting of North Tawton Town Council to be held at the Council Offices on Tuesday 7th April 2015 at 7.15 pm.

Dated this 30th March 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 3rd March 2015 (attached)
- 3.2 To approve and sign the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of North Tawton Town Council held at the Council Offices on Tuesday 10th March 2015 (attached)
- 3.3 To approve and sign the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of North Tawton Town Council held at the Council Offices on Friday 13th March 2015 (attached)

4. Updates

- 4.1 Chairman to update the Council on various issues.
- 4.2 To receive a brief update from Cllr I MacLeod/Cllr S Blood regarding Denbrook.
- 4.3 To receive a brief update from Cllr N Morgan (WDBC Ward Member).
- 4.4 To receive a brief update regarding the North Tawton Engagement Group.
- 4.5 To receive a brief update regarding the Eastern Links meeting held on 12th March 2015.

5. Ongoing issues

'Action Log' attached at Annex A

6. Consultations/Newsletters

Devon County Council Public Transport Review previously circulated – This matter was considered at the meeting on the 3rd March 2015, and deferred pending information regarding the Okehampton Community Transport Scheme (attached).

7. Clarification on Works to the Weir

To receive an update from the Westcountry Rivers Trust regarding the works to the weir.

8. VE Day 70th Anniversary

To consider letter received from the Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP regarding VE Day 70th Anniversary in May. – Annex B

9. Piece of land in lane adjacent to the Public Conveniences

To consider correspondence received regarding this piece of land. – Annex C

10. Smoke free signage - Play Parks

To consider ban on smoking in play parks - Annex D

11. Adopt a Kiosk

To consider BT's offer to adopt a Kiosk - Annex E

12. Neighbourhood Plan Project

To consider agreeing the Neighbourhood Plan Project Group's Aims, Vision and Objectives.

13. Cemetery Regulations - Wooden Crosses

To consider the matter of wooden crosses being installed in the Cemetery which are not in accordance with the Cemetery Regulations.

14. Litter/Dog Bin – Orchard Court/Gostwyck Close

To consider request from resident of Orchard Court to site a litter/dog bin in the Orchard Court/Gostwyck Close area.

15. Recycling Project

To consider how the Recycling Project should be progressed.

16. Devon Association of Local Councils

To consider the renewal of Membership for 2015/16 to the Devon Association of Local Councils.

17. PLANNING MATTERS

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

17.1 00335/2015

8 Fore Street, North Tawton, EX20 2DT

Works to trees in a Conservation Area for the removal of two trunks from a multi-stemmed Ash located on the boundary between 8 & 14 Fore Street within 1m of the stream to the rear of the gardens

To note decisions of West Devon Borough Council 17.2 00071/2015

Prior Notification for Change of use from Agricultural building to C3 Dwelling (Class Mb) Barn, Bouchers Hill Farm, Bouchers Hill, North Tawton, EX20 2DG Prior Approval Given – 4/3/15

17.3 01097/2014

Boswells, North Tawton, EX20 2BY Installation of one 5Kw wind turbine on 15m tower Conditional consent 4/3/15

17.4 00070/2015

Householder application for the two-storey side extension and hardstanding for one vehicle 1 Taylors Fields, North Tawton, EX20 2JD

Conditional consent 2/3/15

17.4 00152/2015

5 Gostwyck Close, North Tawton, EX20 2HR

Householder application for a single storey porch to the front of dwellinghouse Conditional consent 26/3/15

17.5 00242/2015

Works to trees in a Conservation Area for the two thirds reduction of Tree 1 Acer Campestre (Field Maple) and retention at that size, together with the removal of Tree 2 Sorbus Aria (Whitebeam) and replacement with Oaks. All at Court Green, as shown on the application documentation.

Court Green, Essington Road, North Tawton, Devon, EX20 2EX Consent 24/3/15

17.6 00097/2015

Higher Nichols Nymett Farm, North Tawton, EX20 2DP Listed Building application for remedial works and new structural support to roof Conditional consent 4/3/15

17.7 00201/2015

8 Fore Street, North Tawton

Works to Trees in a Conservation Area for the removal of a mature tree from the rear garden of 8 Fore Street – the tree directly adjoins the rear extension to the property. Consent 3/3/15

18. FINANCE

- **18.1 Invoices**. To approve payments listed at Annex F (to follow) in accordance with bank mandate.
- **18.2 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.

18.3 Stone Walling adjacent to the Lychgate, St Peters Church

To approve the day rate for remedial works to the stone walling

18.4 Summer Flowers

To receive correspondence received regarding the cost of the summer flower baskets and troughs.

19. 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.

20. 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.

21. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Council shall be 5th May 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.