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Town Mayor/Chair: Councillor Tracy Gilmore Clerk to the Council: Sarah Eden

7<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

The Planning, Contract and Works Committee Meeting of Prudhoe Town Council will be held in Meeting Room 1, the Spetchells Centre, Front Street, Prudhoe, at the earlier start time of 6:30 pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019, and you are requested to attend.

Please find as a 'footnote' the items you should expect to be enclosed in this pack. If you find that any items are missing from the pack please contact me.

If there is anything on the agenda that you would like further information on, or that you are unclear of, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Please be reminded that this committee now includes all councillors.

Yours faithfully

Sarah Eden

Town Clerk

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest
- **3. Gentoo Group Housing at Cottier Grange**; Samantha Humble (Head of Operations), Colin McCartney (Head of Operations Washington) and Susie Thompson (Director of Neighbourhoods) in attendance to answer questions and give information relating to a) the allocation of social housing, with specific reference to 'standard offer checks' carried out by Gentoo (enc)<sup>i</sup>, *and* b) the factors contributing to the slow uptake of Discount Market Sale Units (DMV) on the site that have resulted in an application by the developer to modify the section 106 agreement allowing the developer to sell at full market rate (enc)<sup>ii</sup>, (enc)<sup>iii</sup>
- 4. Draft Minutes of the Planning, Contract and Works Committee, held on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 (enc)<sup>iv</sup> to agree as a true record
- 5. Clerk's Report to receive Clerk's report on updates since last meeting (enc)<sup>v</sup>
- **6. Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on 30**<sup>th</sup> **January 2019** (enc)<sup>vi</sup> to agree as a true record (Due to an oversight these minutes were not presented to the February Ordinary Meeting, as such they are being presented at the next available meeting in line with Local Government Act 1972, sch 12, para 41)
- 7. Planning Matters
  - **a)** to consider planning applications, including any pre-applications, received since the last meeting ( $enc^{vii}$ ) and agree response to NCC Planning Comments
  - **b)** to receive recent planning decisions (enc<sup>viii</sup> and to be tabled)

- **8.** Litter Bin at Mickley, A695 to consider the request from residents and supported by County Cllr Anne Dale for a litter bin to be installed on the A695 between the Western Gateway and the entrance to Mickley, and agree to purchase in the new financial year (enc)<sup>ix</sup>
- **9. Bus Shelter Seating** to consider the request from users for suitable seating/perch to be installed in stone shelters in the town, specifically with respect to the shelter opposite the golf club and the shelter at Waterworld, both travelling east (enc)<sup>x</sup>
- 10. Potential Solution to Cigarette Litter on Front Street to receive a design prototype for installation on the top of litter bins on Front Street (enc)<sup>xi</sup>, and agree action to be taken (enc)<sup>xii</sup>
- **11.Rent Increase at Castledene Allotments** following the council's objection to the proposed increase in annual rent for Castledene Allotments from £150/per annum to £300 per/annum, to receive a formal written response from Northumberland Estates (enc)<sup>xiii</sup>
- **12. Essity Prudhoe Miners Race 2019** to receive recommendations from recently convened group of councillors, who met on 6<sup>th</sup> March, to discuss the aspirations of the race and details under which to offer the race to interested parties (enc)<sup>xiv</sup>
  - a) to agree that the race should start and finish at Eastwoods Park, to allow other activities to take place during the course of the race and in view of the heritage of the park
  - b) to agree that a preferred 10k route is offered that takes in Hagg Bank, the riverside track, Princess Way (past sponsor Essity), the Miners Tub, the old pit road and back to Eastwoods Park (an alternative is also suggested but any route is subject to approval from NCC Safety Advisory Group)
  - c) to agree that a junior and mini run should take place within Eastwoods Park
  - d) to agree that the start times for club runners and fun runners would be staged to ease the pressure on fun runners and thus increase the number of local runners taking part
  - e) to agree that the council seeks interested parties to lead as Race Director
  - f) to agree that the council, along with sponsorship from Essity, cover the costs of any road closures and prizes, to be paid from the Events Budget
  - g) to agree that the preferred date for the event would be 29<sup>th</sup> September 2019

To approve a motion, that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public be excluded for consideration of **the following item**, in accordance with Section 68 of the Council's Standing Orders: -

**13.Town Council Website** to receive and agree the recommendation from recently convened group of councillors, who met interested website designers on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019, for plans to update and improve the town council website (enc)<sup>xv</sup>

## **Enclosures**

- <sup>i</sup> Northumberland Homefinder Common Allocations Policy
- "Section 106 Agreement Extract
- iii Extract from Planning Application (variation of 106 agreement) 19/00719/SR106A
- iv Draft Minutes of PCW's Committee, 15th January 2019
- <sup>v</sup> Clerk's Report, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019
- vi Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, 30th January 2019
- vii Planning Applications Received
- viii Planning Decisions Received
- <sup>ix</sup> Advice from Northumberland County Council, Neighbourhood Services as to the most suitable location for a litter bin
- <sup>x</sup> Image of shelters and potential for front of shelter seating/perch
- xi Design and cost of cigarette disposal for top of litter bins
- xii Summary of problem and response to suggested solution from Northumberland Fire Service and NCC Neighbourhood Services
- xiii Email response from Northumberland Estates, Grant Wilson, Graduate Land Agent
- xiv Summary of discussion/recommendations from meeting, 6th March 2019
- xv Recommendation in relation to website development