



Stanley Town Council

NOTICE OF MEETING

I hereby give notice that a Projects and Initiatives Committee meeting of the Stanley Town Council will be held on Tuesday, the 13th June 2017 at 6.30pm at Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley DH9 0NA.

TO ALL MEMBERS of the STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES COMMITTEE

J Pallas (Chair)
L Christie
B Nair*

J McMahon
T Armstrong
G Graham*

C Marshall
J Clark

C Hampson
J Tully

A Clegg
G Wilkinson

*ex-officio

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Projects and Initiatives Committee** of **Stanley Town Council** to be held in **Civic Hall, Stanley** on **Tuesday 13th June 2017 at 18.30** in order to transact the following business:

Yours sincerely,

Alan Shaw
Town Clerk
5th June 2017

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A G E N D A

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To **RECEIVE** any apologies and reasons for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to **DECLARE** disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests, along with the nature of those interests, in relation to any item on this agenda.

3 PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

To **RECEIVE** any announcements from the Chair or Town Clerk.

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

An adjournment will be allowed at the direction of the Chairman to allow for public comment and response in relation to items on this agenda or to consider written questions from the public submitted in advance of the meeting (*Individuals will be permitted a maximum of three minutes each. Total time for this session is limited to fifteen minutes*).

5 CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES (ATTACHMENT A)

To **APPROVE** as a correct record and sign the minutes of the Communication and Events Committee Meeting held on 4th April 2017.

6 REQUESTS FOR FUNDING/ SUPPORT

(i) Citizens Advice Bureau (ATTACHMENT B)

An urgent request for support has been received from the County Durham Citizen's Advice Bureau, which provides advice services in Stanley. Details are attached. A presentation in support of the application will be given by Neal Bradbury, Chief Executive of County Durham CAB.

(ii) Tractors (ATTACHMENT C)

Council declared the Kubota tractors surplus to requirements during the budget setting process for 2017/18. The Town Clerk has received requests from two local football clubs asking the Council to consider donating the tractors to them for grounds maintenance/ grass cutting purposes.

Committee is requested to **CONSIDER** these matters and make **RECOMMENDATIONS** to Council.

7 PROJECT UPDATES

(i) Play in the Park (ATTACHMENT D)

Committee to receive an update in relation to the planned Play in the Park Events for Summer 2017. A report is attached. The budget allocation for the events needs to be reviewed in light of the full costings for the events.

(ii) Armed Forces Day (ATTACHMENT E)

Committee to receive an update in relation to the planned Armed Forces Day for Summer 2017. A report is attached. The budget allocation for the events needs to be reviewed in light of the full costings for the events.

Committee is requested to **CONSIDER** these matters and **DECIDE** what to do.

8 REVIEW OF CURRENT INITIATIVES (ATTACHMENT F)

The Labour group published a number of key pledges to residents during the election campaign. Committee is requested to review the planned activities for 2017/18 in light of the

pledges (and having regard to the resident survey of 2016) and make **RECOMMENDATIONS** for any changes required to full Council.

The Town Clerk has prepared an updated version of the survey results report which shows the links between the survey priorities, the current year budget and the pledges made by the Labour Group for information.

9 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

To identify and plan items of new business to be delivered by the Committee in 2017/18.

(i) Louisa Morrison Miner's Memorial

The Council considered the matter of the memorial to the men who lost their lives in the Louisa Morrison disaster which would be at risk following the closure of St Aidan's Church in Annfield Plain at the Ordinary Council meeting held in February 2016.

The Council "**RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk look into facilitating the re-location of the memorial on behalf of the Council with the preference of Council being that the memorial remains in Annfield Plain." (*Minute #552 of 2015/16*)

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 18th April 2017, the Council **RESOLVED** that it would take the lead in identifying a suitable location for the Louisa Morrison Memorial which is currently at St Aidan's church.

Committee is requested to **CONSIDER** this matter and **DECIDE** what to do.

(ii) War Memorial

(ATTACHMENT G)

A War Memorial Steering Group was established last year with the intention of delivering a new memorial to mark all three services across the whole of the Stanley area. The steering group had agreed terms of reference, preferred locations and had the locations surveyed for suitability before the last election. Committee needs to consider:

- (a) If the project will continue. An earmarked reserve of £50,000 was set aside in the reserves for this purpose.
- (b) Membership of the Group: Two members of the steering group were Town Councillors who did not stand for re-election. A third was a County Councillor who did not seek re-election.
- (c) Date of next meeting.

Committee is requested to **CONSIDER** this matter and **DECIDE** what to do.

(iii) Service Medals

The Town Mayor has requested that consideration should be given to STC making an award to recognise servicemen and women from the Stanley area returning from active duty.

(iv) Youth Council

Consideration to be given to the foundation of a Youth Council in the Stanley area.

(v) Farmers Markets

Holding Farmer's Markets in Stanley Front Street was accepted by Council as a desirable initiative to drive trade and footfall in the town centre. This matter has not been progressed to date.

(vi) Project Submissions from Elected Members

Consideration / discussion of any new projects or initiatives put forward by elected members.

Committee is requested to **CONSIDER** these matters and **DECIDE** what to do.

10 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Projects & Initiatives Committee, 6.30pm, Tuesday 11th July 2017, Stanley Civic Hall.

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, members of the public and press are welcome to attend the meeting. Members of the public will only be permitted to speak at the beginning of the meeting during Public Question Time.