



Stanley Town Council

NOTICE OF MEETING

I hereby give notice that an Ordinary Meeting of Stanley Town Council will be held on Tuesday, the 26th November 2019 at 6.30pm at the Masonic Hall, Scott Street, Stanley DH9 8AD.

TO ALL MEMBERS of STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL

C Hampson (Town Mayor)	C Bell	G Binney	L Christie	H Clark
D Marshall (Deputy TM)	J Clark	A Clegg	M Davinson	B Nair
J Kane	C Marshall	J McMahan	J Nicholson	J Pallas
J Stephenson	L Timbey	D Tully	J Tully	G Wilkinson

You are hereby summoned to attend an **ORDINARY MEETING** of Stanley Town Council to be held at the **Masonic Hall, Scott St, Stanley**, on **Tuesday the 26th November 2019 at 18.30** in order to transact the following business:

Yours sincerely,

Alan Shaw
Town Clerk
19th November 2019

Please turn off all mobile phones or set to silent mode
Please refer to the Policy for recording proceedings

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 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To **RECEIVE** a verbal monthly report from the Town Mayor and any announcements from the Town Mayor or Town Clerk.

4 LEADER'S STATEMENT

An update on current business from the Leader of Stanley Town Council, Cllr Les Timbey.

5 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*).

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (ATTACHMENT A)

To **APPROVE** as a correct record and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 22nd October 2019.

7 COMMITTEE MINUTES

- (i) To **RECEIVE** the minutes of the Finance & GP Committee held on 19th November 2019 (ATTACHMENT B)
- (ii) To **APPROVE** the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 24th September 2019. (ATTACHMENT C)

8 STANLEY MASTER PLAN STEERING GROUP

DCC are seeking to establish a steering group to support the development of a new masterplan for the Stanley Town Council area and to also support and direct project delivery once adopted by all parties.

We have been requested to nominate three Town Councillors to take part in the Steering Group.

The first meeting is envisaged to have full Steering Group sign off of the commissioning brief, to consider terms of reference and to agree the structure and frequency of the meeting, hopefully some time in December.

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

9 ST GEORGE'S CHURCH, SOUTH MOOR (ATTACHMENT D)

The Town Clerk has received notification from the Diocese of Durham that St George's church is to be closed. The letter is attached.

The Council is requested to give its views on the matter. Members are requested to note that report on item 10 below highlights the fact that there is a War Memorial at St George's church

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

10 WAR MEMORIALS (ATTACHMENT E)

A survey of the War Memorials in the Stanley Town Council area has been carried out by the Deputy Town Clerk to follow up the report submitted to the Finance & General Purposes Committee in March 2019 (*Minute #255 of 2018/19 refers*).

A copy of the report from March 2019 is appended to this report for information.

Council is requested to **CONSIDER** the report and **DECIDE** if any further action is required at this time.

11 COUNCIL ACTIONS UPDATE (ATTACHMENT F)

Details of outstanding Full Council decisions and those completed since the last Ordinary Council meeting are attached for the information of Council.

Council is requested to **REVIEW** the report and **DECIDE** if any further action is required at this time.

Members may also request verbal updates in respect of any outstanding Council decisions.

12 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC *

To **RESOLVE** that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

*Justification for excluding the public and press from consideration of the following items:
Commercial Sensitivity*

** Any recording of the proceedings must stop at this point.*

13 BUDGET SECOND DRAFT**Attachments**

ATTACHMENT G	Play in the Park
ATTACHMENT H	Pantomime (updated)
ATTACHMENT I	Front Street Notice Board
ATTACHMENT J	Budget Report - Second Estimate
ATTACHMENT K	Budget Second Estimate

A first draft of the budget for 2020/21 was presented to the Finance & General Purposes Committee on 15th October 2019 and considered by Council on 22nd October.

A second estimate was presented to the Finance Committee on 19th November 2019.

Other reports which need to be considered in relation to the budget are also attached.

Council is requested to:

- (i) **CONSIDER** the reports;
- (ii) **DECIDE** what the funding priorities are;

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- (iii) **DETERMINE** the level of precept required;
 - (iv) **DIRECT** the Town Clerk to prepare a final draft budget for the Finance Committee in December.

14 **DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 21st January 2019, 6.30pm, 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.