

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am to inform you that a meeting of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **WEDNESDAY, 28th MAY 2014 at 7.15 p.m.**

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence.

2. **MEMBERS' DISPENSATIONS**

To consider written requests for dispensations from members who have declared interests under Disclosable or Non-Disclosable pecuniary interests – Section 33 of the 2011 Localism Act.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To notify of any items that appear in the agenda in which you may have an interest that has not been recorded in the Members Register of Interests.

4. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

Members of the public are permitted to make representations, ask questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Questions will not be received by the Council which are in furtherance of a person's individual circumstances or which are about a matter where there is a right of appeal to the courts, a tribunal or government minister. A question will not be received by the Council where the issue it concerns has been the subject of a decision of the Council in the last six months.

5. **MINUTES**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on the 9th April 2014.

... 6. **ALLOTMENTS REPORT**

To consider the attached report from the Works Manager for the seven weeks ended the 18th May 2014.

... 7. **ENVIRONMENT REPORT**

To consider the attached report from the Works Manager and the Environment Officer for the seven weeks ended the 18th May 2014.

8. **GRANTS OF GRAVE SPACE**

To report that the undermentioned grant of grave spaces have been issued:

West Cemetery

Grave No. I 209	Bernadette Clarke
Grave No. N 108	Merlyn Hannant
Grave No. R 108	Ralph Gauntlett
Grave No. R 109	Trevor Phillips
Grave No. R 110	David Priestley
Grave No. R 111	Christina Hinca
Grave No. R 115	Kirsty Allen and Mark Hughes
Grave No. J 68	Brian Edwards
Grave No. I 229	Alison Stout

9. **LAND AT BLUEBELL NURSERIES**

To consider the attached information from Durham County Council.

10. **PRE-PLANNING CONSULTATION RE TELECOMMUNICATION MASTS**

(1) To consider the undermentioned consultation: (Plans will be on display in the Council Offices)

- (a) Proposed alterations to an existing telecommunications radio base station installation at Telefonica Site 34850 – Alterations to an existing telecommunications streetworks installation located on Dalton Way, Newton Aycliffe.

11. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

(1) To consider the undermentioned planning applications:-

- (a) Installation of front access ramp and conversion of garage to habitable room – 15 Carwardine Close, Newton Aycliffe.
- (b) The Isles Wind Farm comprising 24 turbines (7 with a maximum tip height of up to 126.5m on land to the north west of the A1(M) and north of Great Isle Farm, 13 with a maximum tip height of up to 101m and 4 with a maximum tip height of up to 115m on land between Mordon and Preston-le-Skerne), 1 permanent 80m high anemometer mast, and associated infrastructure including control building and substation compound, access roads and related engineering works on land near Mordon, Bradbury and Preston-le-Skerne.
- (c) Proposed single storey side extension to replace existing conservatory at 5 St. Andrews Close, Aycliffe Village

(2) Prior Notification Planning Applications – (for information only)

A planning application which is given a PNH / MPN reference is considered ‘deemed consent’, similar to permitted development and the Town Council cannot object to a householder PNH / MPN application. If the planning authority had any issues they would ask for further details and a full planning application.

- (a) Prior Notification of proposed demolition of existing rail bridge at Railway Bridge DAE1/12 to the South of Millennium Way, Aycliffe Business Park.
- (b) Prior Notification for the erection of a conservatory to the rear measuring 3.6 meters in length, 3.3 metres in width and 3 metres in height to the apex of the roof.
- (3) To receive for information the undermentioned planning applications, prior notice of which has been circulated to all Members of the Council. Durham County Council have been notified of the listed comments on each application:-**
 - (a) Erection of external inglenook fireplace to the side and replacement windows at 12 High Barn Road, School Aycliffe.
No objections.
 - (b) Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 7/2013/0087/DM to alter turning head and substation at Former Tetley Tea Distribution Centre, Grindon Way, Aycliffe Business Park.
No objections.
 - (c) Erection to existing car park to provide overspill at The Work Place, Heighington Lane, Aycliffe Business Park.
No objections.
 - (d) Erection of single storey rear extension – 17 Bloomsley Close.
No objections.
 - (e) Variation of planning permission to infill windows to the retained clock tower – Churchill House, Beveridge Way, Newton Aycliffe.
No objections.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Councillors E. Adam, J. Atkinson, B. Blenkinsopp, R. Bowman, A.M. Chandran, Mrs. B.A. Clare, J.D. Clare, J. Clark, N. Collinson, Mrs. M. Dalton, M.A. Dalton, R.S. Fleming, I. Gray, G.C. Gray, Mrs. S. Haigh, B. Hall, K. Henderson, Mrs. I. Hewitson, J.P. Hillary, Mrs. W.P. Hillary, M. Iveson, Mrs. S.J. Iveson, W. Iveson, P. Kjenstad, Mrs. V.M. Raw, D. Summers, T. Twissell and C. Wheeler.