

**MINUTES OF THE HETTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD
ON MONDAY 17th MARCH, 2014 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
THE HETTON CENTRE AT 7.15 p.m.**

Present: Councillor Mrs. D. Turner, Mayor in the Chair

Councillors: Mrs. Adamson, Mrs. Anderson, J. Blackburn, Cummings, Glover, Heron, Hepple, Nairns, Mrs. Richardson, Robinson, Steel, Mrs. Storey, Robson, Tate, Todd, Wilkinson. (17).

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. J. Blackburn, Mrs. J. Heron, Maddison (3)

2 To receive and approve the Minutes of the last Meeting held on Monday, 20th February, 2014

The Minutes having been distributed to Members it was MOVED by Councillor Hepple and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Storey and RESOLVED that they be accepted as a true and correct record.

3 Matters Arising from Minutes

No matters were raised by members but it was considered good practice and beneficial if in future meetings the Town Clerk could include an item as standard on Agenda.

Item 5. Ward matters requiring attention – issued raised by Members.

4 Declarations of Interest (D.I.P.)

Councillors Blackburn, Heron and Tate declared an interest in planning issued as members of City Council Development Control Committee.

Councillor Tate made a declaration as a Board member of Gentoo.

5 To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation

Mrs. Pat Robson of Greenwatch Group was present and gave Members an update of progress and discussions ongoing with Northumbrian Water and Environment Agency.

Members were also update on the Environment Day Exhibition planned for 30th may in the Hetton Centre.

6 The Town Clerk gave information reports and documentation on the following, all of which were accepted by Members.

Northumbria in Bloom Spring Judging, Thursday, 17th April, 2014, report of judging session.

Hetton Lyons Country Park

- a. Friends Group – application for Green Flag Award
- b. Management plan of H.L.C.P. for information

Hetton Downs Area Renewal Programme – briefing note to members, February 2014 – for information and comment.

World War Project – Report of Co-ordinating Meeting held Thursday, 13th March, 2014.

Correspondence for Information – Moorsley Residents Newsletter, February 2014.

7 Correspondence

- a. Response from HTC to residents
- b. Tesco comments

8 Coalfield Voluntary Network

Notice of next meeting and Minutes of last with matters for advice and information for comment and action.

9 Society of Local council Clerks

Notice of Government approved guidelines to be examined.

10 Sunderland City Council

Ongoing roadworks in ward details

11 Durham County Association of Local Councils

Advice and information regarding:

- a. Council Tax capping arrangements
- b. Guidelines for making Councillors Register of Interests available for public scrutiny

12 Local Council Review information

- a. Planning and Development Issues – for information
- b. Town and Country Planning Act – Stopping Up Order – Collingwood Street
- c. Planning Application No. 14/00367/FUL. Easington Lane Primary School. School extension and creation of outdoor facilities with floodlights
- d. Planning Officers response on issues raised by planning Sub Committee re Lyons Avenue development/Firtree Lane, Easington Lane.

All matters were to be referred to the Planning and Development Sub Committee to be held on Tuesday, 15th April, 2014.

Signed
Councillor Mrs. D. Turner
Mayor