



BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

To: ALL MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** to be held in the Council Chamber at Arms Everytne House on Thursday 25th July 2013 at 6.30pm.

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Rickitt".

**STEPHEN RICKITT
TOWN CLERK (DEMOCRATIC SERVICES)
BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL**

18th July 2013

Would you please ensure that all mobile phones are switched off during the meeting.

NB: The meeting is open to all Town Councillors

AGENDA:

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS & THE GRANT OF ANY DISPENSATIONS

3. MINUTES FROM THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13th JULY 2013

NB: The meeting on 4 July was cancelled.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Date and Minute reference	Action	By & Target Time
16 Aug – P125/12.6.1	Arrange a meeting with ARCH and NCC Heritage & Conservation officers	SER – on-going.
18 Oct – P150/8.2	Community Right to Bid	It was agreed to keep this under review following an update from the Town Clerk (Democratic Services).
20 Dec – P169/9	Street Names	Ongoing - All Town Councillors to consider names for future use.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 From the Weekly Lists issued by Northumberland County Council for the weeks of 17th and 24th June, 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd July 2013.

5.2 Other applications which have to be considered before the next scheduled meeting of this committee.

6. THE TOWN CENTRE AND LOCALISM OPPORTUNITIES

6.1 To consider the attached report.

7. PARKING IN NORTHUMBERLAND

7.1 To note the attached letter from the County Council's Parking Services Manager dated 3 July 2013.

8. GYPSY ROMA TRAVELLER TRANSIT SITE.

To report on further correspondence from the County Council (if any).

9. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It is envisaged that this will form part of the discussion under item 6 above.

10. CENTRAL LINK ROAD

To note that the County Council has responded as follows:

Further to our recent conversation and in response to your letter dated 30 May 2013, regarding Blyth Central Link Road, I can confirm that the proposal to build a central link road to Blyth is still at a very preliminary stage. £50,000 has been allocated through the Council's Local Transport Plan Programme 2013-14 to consider the issue of traffic congestion on the main routes into Blyth. A potential solution is to construct a new link road. The work planned in this financial year will look at the feasibility of providing a new link road as well as considering other options to reduce congestion on the main routes into Blyth. As work progresses, it is the intention to engage with interested parties for their input. For this reason, it would be useful if the scheme project designer could attend a future Town Council meeting. If you can let me know the dates of planned Town Council meetings at the end of 2013/beginning 2014, I will make arrangements for county council officers to attend. By the end of the year we may be able to report the output from traffic studies currently being commissioned to help inform the option appraisals.

11. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND URGENT MATTERS

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting is on Thursday 15 August 2013. Councillors may wish to consider whether this meeting can be cancelled (unless urgent issues arise) and hold the next meeting on Thursday 5 September 2013

TO: MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Councillors: G T Knox (Chair)
J R Potts (Vice- Chair)
A Cartie
B W Elliott
A Gibbs-Barton
K Nisbet
R Parker (Mayor)
G Thompson
A Turnbull

Copy to all other Town Councillors for information.