

BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

To: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

You are hereby requested to attend the **fourth Annual Meeting** of **BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL** to be held at the Briardale Community and Training Centre, Briardale Road, Blyth, Northumberland on **Thursday 10 May 2012 at 6.30pm.**

The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

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Town Clerk
Blyth Town Council

30 April 2011

AGENDA:

1. ✓ **Election of Mayor**
2. **Receive Mayor's Declaration of Acceptance of Office**
3. ✓ **Election of Deputy Mayor**
4. **Receive Deputy Mayor's Declaration of Acceptance of Office**
5. **To Appoint Members to Committees in line with Proportionality Guidelines**

Notes on Proportionality: -

Blyth Town Council has 16 Members and they are split politically as Labour (8), Liberal Democrat (7) and Independent (1).

Currently the 67 available places are distributed as follows:

Political Party:	Councillors:	% of Councillors:	Places on Committees/Working Groups:
Labour	8	50	35
Liberal Democrat	7	43.75	29
Independent	1	6.25	4

The allocation of places on Committees and Working Groups needs to be reviewed under proportionality and to be allocated in the ratios of Councillors. The following table shows the suggested make up of each Committee and Working Group for the 2012-13 Civic Year.

Committees/ Working Groups:	Members:	Labour:	Liberal Democrat:	Independent:
Full Council	16	8	7	1
Planning and Development Committee	7	3	3	1
Finance Committee	7	4	3	-
Events Committee	7	3	3	1
Staff Committee	7	4	3	-
Assets Committee	7	4	3	-
Policy Working Group	16	8	7	1
TOTALS =	67	34	29	4
% Places on Committees/Working Groups	100%	50.75%	43.28%	5.97%

The makeup of any future Committees and Working Groups would be decided as they are instituted.

6. **Assets Committee Meeting to be held after Agenda Item 5. to elect Chair and Deputy Chair** Chair RP
VC EJ
7. **Events Committee Meeting to be held at rising of the Assets Committee Meeting to elect Chair and Deputy Chair** Chair LR
VC JC
8. **Finance Committee Meeting to be held at rising of the Events Committee Meeting to elect Chair and Deputy Chair** Chair JEP
VC KE
9. **Planning & Development Committee Meeting to be held at rising of the Finance Committee Meeting to elect Chair and Deputy Chair** Chair JEP
VC OP
10. **Staff Committee Meeting to be held at rising of the Planning & Development Committee Meeting to elect Chair and Deputy Chair** C OP
VC SD
11. **To Appoint Members to Working Groups in line with Proportionality Guidelines** (see above notes)
12. **Policy Working Group to be held after Agenda Item 11. to elect Chair and Deputy Chair**

13. To Appoint Representatives to Outside Bodies: -

Current Appointments:

DATE:	ORGANISATION:	APPOINTEE:
9 July 2009	BRIC (2)	K Nisbet A Gibbs-Barton <i>Lodewy Rickerby</i> ✓
9 July 2009	Blyth Young Peoples Centre (1)	L Rickerby ✓
September 2010	NALC County Committee (1)	J R Potts ✓
April 2012	Friends of Ridley Park	<i>Penny Reid</i> ✓
December 2011	LMAPs Committee	R Parker <i>P Reid</i> <i>? transfer + O Potts</i> ✓
September 2012	North Blyth Biomass Steering Group	R Parker K Nisbet ✓
June/July 2012	Citizens Advise Bureau	<i>J Newman</i> <i>J Cardan</i> ✓

14. Apologies for Absence

Daniel Lolatt

15. Minutes

To agree the minutes of the third Annual Meeting held on Thursday 12 May 2011.

Agreed

16. Disclosure of Interests

To note the arrangements for registering member's interests, and disclose interests as appropriate.

BLYTH TOWN COUNCILLORS:

Jim Condon
Susan Davey
Ken Ellis
Alisdair Gibbs-Barton
Daniel Lovatt
Peter Lovatt
Joe Newman
Kath Nisbet (Deputy Mayor)
Bob Parker (Mayor)
John Potts
Olga Potts
Penny Reid
Lesley Rickerby
Ian Tompkins
Sam Walker
Fiona Wilson