

To ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

You are hereby summonsed to attend the meeting of **WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL** to be held at **Bedlington Community Centre**, Front Street West, Bedlington.
On Thursday 13th November 2025 at 6.30pm.

The agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Steven Young - Town Clerk

5th November 2025



MEETING AGENDA

13th November 2025, 6.30PM

QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- The Chair will invite members of the public to ask the Council any questions in relation to the *current meeting agenda*. (There will be an opportunity at the end of the meeting to ask any questions not related to agenda items).
- This question time will last for a period of up to 15 minutes (this can be extended at the discretion of the Chair).
- To give every member of the public a fair chance of asking a question, the number of questions asked by any individual person may be limited at the Chair's discretion. The above covers both verbal and written submissions.
- Any member of the public who speaks, should first state their name and address.

PRESENTATIONS

There are no presentations for this meeting.

PART A – ATTENDANCE

a.	Apologies for absence i. To NOTE any apologies for absence from councillors. ii. To APPROVE any dispensations for absent councillors.
b.	Declaration of interest i. To RECEIVE and NOTE any disclosures of interest. ii. To APPROVE any requests for dispensations.
c.	Meeting minutes To AGREE and SIGN as a correct record the minutes of West Bedlington Town Council's meeting on 9th October 2025. *

PART B – MATTERS FOR DECISION

a.	Funding applications None for this meeting.
b.	Events. Events Calendar To AGREE the Draft Events Calendar *

c.	Governance i. Policies for review. APPROVE the following updated policies (revisions highlighted). 1. Policy No 2. Financial Regulations* 2. Policy No 2. FOI Model Publication Scheme Policy* 3. Policy No 19. DBS Checks Policy* 4. Policy No 23. Equalities Policy*															
d.	Services Westlea Playzone Approve a suggested pricing structure for hire cost at the Westlea Playzone*. (The Council is still awaiting a detailed management plan to understand its responsibilities and liabilities).															
e.	I.T Software Purchase To Approve the purchase of software to retain all West Bedlington Town Council .gov emails that could ordinarily be deleted or lost from the system by user intervention or user permissions. The estimated annual cost of the software is £375.															
f.	Planning Planning applications – where comments have been requested. The Council is asked to discuss and decide if it wishes to make any comments in relation to the planning applications received for comment. <table><tr><th>Ref.</th><th>Description</th><th>Response date</th></tr><tr><td>25/03531/FUL</td><td>Proposed rear single storey extension and building an additional bedroom over the garage. 35 Hassop Way Beaufront Park Bedlington Northumberland NE22 7LE</td><td>24th October 2025.</td></tr><tr><td>25/03607/FUL</td><td>Two storey side and single storey rear extensions 5 Hollymount Square Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5AH</td><td>30th October 2025.</td></tr><tr><td>25/03390/REM</td><td>Reserved matters application (for layout, scale and appearance) pursuant to outline planning permission 24/04112/OUTES, for an electricity substation on Phase 1b of the data centre campus. Land At Former Power Station Site On Northern Side Of Cambois Cambois Northumberland</td><td>10th November 2025</td></tr><tr><td>25/03969/PRUTPO</td><td>Tree Preservation Order Application to T1 Hornbeam prune back to previous pruning points (crown reduce by 1m). 3 South Farm Nedderton Village Northumberland NE22 6BH</td><td>26th November 2025</td></tr></table> Please note, where the response date is before the date of the meeting, an extension has been agreed to allow consideration of the application at the meeting and an opportunity to submit comments.	Ref.	Description	Response date	25/03531/FUL	Proposed rear single storey extension and building an additional bedroom over the garage. 35 Hassop Way Beaufront Park Bedlington Northumberland NE22 7LE	24th October 2025.	25/03607/FUL	Two storey side and single storey rear extensions 5 Hollymount Square Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5AH	30th October 2025.	25/03390/REM	Reserved matters application (for layout, scale and appearance) pursuant to outline planning permission 24/04112/OUTES, for an electricity substation on Phase 1b of the data centre campus. Land At Former Power Station Site On Northern Side Of Cambois Cambois Northumberland	10th November 2025	25/03969/PRUTPO	Tree Preservation Order Application to T1 Hornbeam prune back to previous pruning points (crown reduce by 1m). 3 South Farm Nedderton Village Northumberland NE22 6BH	26th November 2025
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g.	Working groups / committees i. APPROVE any recommendations from working groups (not included elsewhere on the agenda). Non for this meeting. ii. To NOTE any other information from working group Chairs.															
h.	Bank reconciliation i. To APPROVE a checked bank reconciliation as of 30 th October 2025, a current account balance of £21,636.94, a deposit account balance of £30,205.80 and a CCLA savings account balance of £350,000 *															

MEETING PART C – MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

a.	Chair’s update and external invitations/consultations To NOTE any announcements from the Chair, and to discuss invitations, consultations and external meeting feedback since the last Council meeting.																																																																																																																	
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Other planning applications

Where comments have **not** been requested.

Ref.	Description
25/03699/MISC	Regulation 5 Notice of Intention to Install Fixed Line Broadband Apparatus - 7m Medium wooden pole, Telecommunications Pole Wansbeck Bridleway 042 Wansbeck Northumberland
25/03800/CLEXIS	Certificate of Lawful Development to confirm use as home for children with complex needs established in May 2015 is lawful Phoenix House Childrens Care Home St Benet Biscop Catholic Academy Ridge Terrace Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6ED
25/03927/VARYCO	Variation of Condition 23 (Intrusive Investigations) in order to introduce a different trigger so that the constituent parts of the condition have different triggers. Land South Of Broadway House Farm Church Lane Bedlington Northumberland

d.

Planning decisions notified to West Bedlington Town Council by Northumberland County Council

Ref.	Description	Decision
25/02654/FUL	Construction of a 3x5 metre wooden structure 70 Glebe Road Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6JU	GRANTED
25/01564/CCD	Change of Use from Class C3 residential to C2 home for young person 6 Perrystone Mews Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5BH	GRANTED
25/02925/FUL	Remodelling, refurbishment and additions to gate lodge to create extended family home including removal/improvement of previously unsympathetic additions at rear of building (amended 18/09/25) The Lodge Hartford Hall Estate Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6AG	GRANTED
25/03213/FELTPO	Tree Preservation Order: Removal of Trees 1,2,3,4,6,7 - Ash trees, Tree 5 - Windblown Oak, Tree 8 - leaning Oak and Tree 9 - Pine Humford Mill Country Park Church Lane Bedlington Northumberland NE22 5RT	GRANTED
25/03179/FUL	Utility Room 111 Hartlands Bedlington Northumberland NE22 6JH	GRANTED

e.

Police report

The next scheduled report is for the December 2025 meeting.

f.

Matters for information only

To NOTE any matters pertaining to the Council, that members would like to bring to the attention of other members and residents. For Information only, no proposals or voting on these matters.

i.

Councillor – any matters for information only.

ii.

Town Clerk – any matters for information only. Reminder to Councillors re GDPR Online Training for completion. Neighbourhood Plan Draft Plan Pre Submission Consultation ended on 3rd November 2025. Next Budget Planning Meeting is scheduled for Thursday 20th November 2025 starting at 6.30pm.

g.

Date of next meeting

To NOTE the next scheduled meeting of the Council will be on Thursday 11th December 2025 at 6.30pm in Bedlington Community Centre, Front Street West, Bedlington. The agenda for this meeting to be issued on Wednesday 4th December 2025.

QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL – ANY OTHER WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL MATTERS

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MEETING PART D – EXEMPT BUSINESS

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 because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

a.	Bedlington Community Centre
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WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS:

Trevor Austin, Dave Chapple, Brian Denny, Sian Denny, Cath Henderson, Adam Hogg, Al Roberts, Christine Taylor, Victoria Thompson.

* Supporting documentation distributed to members before the meeting.