



MEETING MINUTES

13th August 2026

Meeting of WEST BEDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL, held at Bedlington Community Centre, Front Street West, Bedlington, NE22 5TT, on Thursday 13th August 2026 at 6.30pm.

AGENDA-RELATED QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- A resident asked in relation to agenda item Part B c. (Community Asset Option) if the Town Council was aware of the cost implications associated with bringing the building back to use. The Chair responded that the Town Council had received the historic information relating to the building and the possibility of bringing back into use.
- A resident asked in relation to agenda item Part B e. (Community Governance Review Consultation) if members of the public would have an opportunity to take part in the consultation. The Chair responded that Northumberland County Council would be carrying out a full and open public consultation in due course.
- A resident asked in relation to agenda item Part B e. (Community Governance Review Consultation) why North Bedlington (now Choppington Parish Council) had not been suggested in the “suggested merger of parishes”. The Chair advised that the information had come from a sample of residents’ suggestions received by Northumberland County Council during the pre-consultation process.

PRESENTATIONS

- There were no presentations for this meeting.

PART A – ATTENDANCE AND MINUTES

Min ref		Item description	Determination
26/137	a.	Attendance To record councillors in attendance.	Councillors Austin, Chappel, Denny B (Chair), Denny S, Henderson, Hogg, Roberts, and Taylor. Town Clerk, S Young, and seven (7) members of the public.
26/138	b.	Apologies for absence i. To NOTE any apologies for absence from councillors. ii. To APPROVE any dispensations for absent councillors.	i. NOTED - Apologies for absence from councillor Thompson. ii. None for this meeting.
26/139	c.	Declaration of interest i. To RECEIVE and NOTE any disclosures of interest. ii. To APPROVE any requests for dispensations.	i. None for this meeting. ii. None for this meeting.
26/140	d.	Meeting minutes To AGREE and SIGN as a correct record the minutes of West Bedlington Town Council's meeting on 9th July 2026.*	RESOLVED that the minutes of the West Bedlington Town Council meeting held on 9th July 2026 are APPROVED as a true record.

PART B – MATTERS FOR DECISION

Min ref		Item description	Determination
26/141	a.	Funding applications There are no funding applications for this meeting.	
26/142	b.	i. Services – permanent Christmas tree Approve any next steps in relation to the siting of a permanent Christmas tree.	RESOLVED to continue to explore the possibility of establishing a permanent Christmas tree. (Likely to be in the next financial year.) RESOLVED for the current year to purchase a cut Christmas tree.
26/143	c.	Community asset transfer option Determine whether or not to take up the option of a community asset transfer for the former public conveniences at Atlee Park, Bedlington.	RESOLVED not to take up the option.
26/144	d.	Governance APPROVE, after REVIEW, the following policies, procedures and documents. * i. Review of current policies Policy 10. Grit Bin Provision (no changes other than grammatical) Policy 22. Privacy Statement (no changes other than grammatical) Policy 33. Investment Policy (no changes other than grammatical and removal of historic dates) GDPR Suite of policies (no changes other than grammatical) ii. New Policies for adoption Policy 44. Training and Development Policy 45. Biodiversity	AFTER REVIEW, all current policies APPROVED. RESOLVED to ADOPT both policies. (Members will consider the adoption of a measurable target at its next meeting).
26/145	e.	Community Governance Review Consultation APPROVE any responses to comments received during the initial informal stage of the public consultation.	

		i. "An adjustment of the parish boundary line between the parishes of Stannington and West Bedlington. ii. "To merge East and West Bedlington parishes together".	i. RESOLVED to comment in support of the suggestion. ii. RESOLVED to make no comment and give greater consideration to the suggestion in readiness for a formal response during the public consultation.
26/146	f.	Member representation at Joint Town and Parish Council Autumn Conference APPROVE two (2) delegates to attend and represent West Bedlington Town Council on Thursday 8th October 2026, County Hall, Morpeth (Registration and refreshments from 5pm. Marketplace 5-7pm. Conference ends 8.10pm	RESOLVED that Councillor Hogg will attend as the members' representative.
26/147	g.	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. 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. Reference 26/02367/FUK Description: Proposed removal of existing side outhouse and erection of new extension 99, Hartlands, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 6JQ. Response date: 24th July 2026 Reference: 26/02311/VARCCD Description: Variation of Condition 3 (Usage) on approved planning application 24/01694/CCD in order to amend the wording within the Condition. 17 Featherstone Grove, Hazelmere, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 6NU. Response date: 30th July 2026 Reference: 26/02279/PRUTPO	No comment. No comment. No comment.

	Description: Tree Preservation Order: T1 - Acer - Remove two west facing branches from above shed, T2 - Acer - Remove one west facing branch, extending over garden, T3 - Acer - Remove four west facing branches, extending over garden, T4 - Acer - Remove three west facing branches, extending over garden. 8 Hallwood Close, Nedderton Village, Northumberland, NE22 6BG. Response date: 3rd August 2026 Reference: 26/02501/COU Description: Change of use from dwellinghouse (C3) to (C2) for a children's residential home. 35 Glebe Mews, The Chesters, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 6LJ. Response date: 6th August 2026 Reference: 26/02588/ADE Description: Advertisement Consent for 1no Shopfront fascia sign. 46 Front Street East, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 5AB. Response date: 12th August 2026 Reference: 26/02701/FUL Description: Humford Mill House, Church Lane, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 5RT. Response date: 20th August 2026 Reference: 26/02726/FUL Description: Internal and external alterations to include the modernisation of the interior through the installation of internal partitions and a mezzanine level. External works comprise the removal of render from the north-west elevation, extension in height of the central window, upgrading of the existing entrance doorway and canopy, installation of solar panels and air source heat pumps, repair works to brickwork, stonework and rainwater goods, reinstatement of a previously blocked side window, and the blocking up of an existing door on the south-west elevation. Bedlington Christian Fellowship, Brook Court, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 5DF.	No comment. No comment. No comment. No comment.
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		Response date: 25th August 2026	
26/148	e.	Working groups / committees i. APPROVE any recommendations from working groups (not included elsewhere on the agenda). ii. To NOTE any other information from working group chairs.	i. Nothing for this meeting. ii. Councillor Denny B. updated the Council in relation to his appointment as Chair of both the Services and Finance and Governance Working Groups. Councillor Taylor provided an update in relation to the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group. Councillor Denny S. provided an update from the latest Events Working Group meeting.
26/149	f.	Bank reconciliation To APPROVE a checked bank reconciliation as of 30th June 2026, a current account balance of £8,879.60, a deposit account balance of £10,022.13 and a CCLA savings account balance of £380,000.00 *	APPROVED.

MEETING PART C – MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

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26/150	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.	Nothing for this meeting.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																
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26/152	c.	Other planning applications Where comments have not been requested. Reference: 26/02171/DISCON Description: Discharge of Condition 9 (Written Method Statement) on approved application 23/02640/CCD Westlea Playing Fields, Football Pitch, Netherton Lane, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 6DX. Reference: 26/02335/DISCON	NOTED.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																

		Description: Discharge of Condition 8 (Ground Gases) on approved application 23/03721/FUL 32 Centurian Way, The Chesters, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 6LD. Reference: 26/02608MISC Description: Installation of 2 x 10m light wooden pole - Reference: OGEEA5969552 Outside 9 Towers Close, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 5ER.	
26/153	d.	Planning decisions made by Northumberland County Council - West Bedlington Town Council notified Reference: 26/00565/FUL Description: Retrospective: Enlargement/re-building of existing animal shelter including renewal of dilapidated Eastern and Western boundary fences and alterations to vehicular gate entry point location Humford Mill Country Park, Church Lane, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 5RT. Decision: GRANTED	NOTED.
26/154	e.	Police report No Police report scheduled for this meeting. The next scheduled report is for the September 2026 meeting.	No report.
26/155	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. Notes - Reminder to members to return update DOI for County Council Confirmation of Assistant Town Clerk’s CILCA professional qualification and pending salary revaluation.	i. Nothing for this meeting. ii. See notes in the box to the left.
26/156	g.	Date of next meeting To NOTE the next scheduled meeting of the Council will be on Thursday 10th September 2026 at 6.30pm in Bedlington Community Centre, Front Street West, Bedlington. The agenda for this meeting to be issued on Wednesday 2nd September 2026.	NOTED.

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

- A resident asked what would happen to the nearly completed Neighbourhood Plan if the “suggested parish merger” were to happen. There was a difference of opinion amongst members as to what could happen but that an answer would be provided at a future meeting.

- A resident suggested a new permanent Christmas tree could be encompassed within the current Town Centre redevelopment plans.
- A resident asked the Town Council if it thought the current CCTV provision within the town was value for money. The Chair responded that the Police are using the system and that the Town Council believed the CCTV provision was still needed and value for money.

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.

- Nothing for this meeting.

The Chair closed this meeting at 19.30.

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 and is available to members of the public. If you would like a copy of any of the supporting documents related to an agenda item, please email clerk@westbedlingtontowncouncil.gov.uk and we'll be more than happy to facilitate your request, unless the information is exempt.