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22nd January 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

The Ordinary Meeting (**including the Budget Meeting**) of Prudhoe Town Council will be held in Meeting Room 1, the Spetchells Centre, Front Street, Prudhoe, at **7:00pm on Wednesday 28th January 2015**, and you are requested to attend.

Please find as a 'footnote' the items you should expect to be enclosed in this pack. If you find that any items are missing from the pack please contact me.

Yours faithfully

Richard Whinney
Executive Officer / Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
- 3. Minutes of Ordinary Meeting, held on 17th December 2014** (enc)ⁱ
- 4. Matters Arising**
- 5. Report of the Planning, Contract and Works Meeting, held on 14th January 2015** (enc)ⁱⁱ
- 6. Accounts** a) Monthly Bank Reconciliations – to receive statements 10th December 2014 – 9th January 2015 (enc)ⁱⁱⁱ, b) Statement of Expenditure from 1st April 2014 – 22nd January 2015 (enc)^{iv}, c) Authorisation of accounts to be paid since last meeting, and endorsement of accounts paid (to be tabled)
- 7. Grant Aid Applications 2015/16** to agree individual Grant Aid awards (enc)^v, including use of section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (enc)^{vi}
- 8. Budget 2015/16** a) to receive and consider the draft budget for 2015/16 and approve actual budget allocations, (including the use of section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 to pay for the TV Licence Grant Scheme) (enc)^{vii} b) to agree the Asset Reserve Fund to be held separate from the budget, and the balances to be off-set against the precept, c) to agree the precept demand to be submitted to Northumberland County Council (enc)^{viii}
- 9. Prudhoe Hospital Development** to discuss the name 'Cottiers Grange' for the development (reported in Hexham Courant 16th January 2015), and agree any action to be taken

10. NCC Core Strategy Full Draft Plan to agree response to be submitted to NCC, for which the consultation closes on 11th February 2015 (enc)^{ix}

11. Christmas Lights Provision to receive recommendation of Christmas Lights Sub-Committee with regard to future contract (enc)^x

12. Reports from outside bodies

- Northumberland County Council
- NCC Town and Parish Liaison Working Group (attended by Cllr Dobson on 22nd January 2015)
- Prudhoe Community Partnership
- Northumbrian Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) (enc)^{xi}
- West Northumberland Youth Service
- East Tynedale Local Councils Forum
- Any other organisations

13. Correspondence and Publications to receive a report on items submitted since the last meeting (to be tabled)

Enclosures

ⁱ Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on 17th December 2014

ⁱⁱ Report of Planning, Contract and Works Committee, held on 14th January 2015

ⁱⁱⁱ Bank Reconciliations, 10th December 2014 – 9th January 2015

^{iv} Statement of Budget & Expenditure 1st April 2014 – 22nd January 2015

^v Grant Aid Report, including abridged information from each application

^{vi} Summary of Grant Aid Applications and proposed grants

^{vii} 2015/16 Draft Budget (with 2014/15 for comparison)

^{viii} Precept demand and % increase, (with 2014/15 for comparison) with figures for inclusion in NCC Council Tax Information Booklet

^{ix} Notes from Cllr Mrs J McGee

^x Cost of contract from Christmas Plus

^{xi} Quarterly Report from CAB, January 2015