

AMBLE TOWN COUNCIL
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To Members of Amble Town Council; Cllrs: I Parks (Chair), D Bewley, I Rackham, M Joyce, L McTaggart, C Dawson, J Richards, C Connolly

You are **SUMMONED** to attend an Ordinary meeting of Full Council of Amble Town Council to be held on Thursday 12 June 2025, 6pm. at Fourways 2, 6 Dilston Terrace, Amble for the transaction of the business shown on the agenda below

BY ORDER OF *VSmith*
Vicki Smith
Town Clerk
5th June 2025

OPEN SESSION

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: (maximum 15 minutes)

In line with Standing Order 3d-1 members of the public may at the invitation of the Chairman ask questions, make representations, and provide information to the Council in respect of the business on the agenda or any other Town Council services.

BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED

31.APOLOGIES

32. To receive any declarations of interest from Members:

Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda, as required by the Amble Town Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011, now or as they come up in the agenda process. Members are asked to review their completed Register of Interest forms to ensure that they are accurate and up to date.

33. MINUTES: TOWN COUNCIL

33.1: To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 15 May 2025, items 1 to 30.2

Members are asked to show their agreement

34. CLERK'S REPORT:

RECOMMENDATION – That the Council notes the contents of the report and consider actions where necessary.

34.1 Clerks Report attached

Members are asked to show their agreement

35. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS and REPORT:

To receive the communications and report of the Chairman pertaining to Council Business:

35.1: Chairman

35.2: Vice Chairman

Members are asked to note the reports

36: Update from Neighbourhood Development Steering Group

36.1 To receive report update from Steering Group and Sub Committees if available

37. REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS:

37.1: To receive a report from County Councillor Hume

37.2: To receive a report from County Councillor Davidson

38. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED BY MEMBERS AS PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS:

38.1 To receive the report of Councillors who represent ATC on outside bodies (Cllr Reports)

39. FINANCIAL REPORT:

39.1 To consider voucher numbers 25 - 62 for payment and 12 -14 for receipt.

39.2 Bank Reconciliation

39.3 Year to date figures

39.4 Grant Requests

- Amble Links First School
- The Colony Music Festival
- Escape Family Support
- Hospice Care North Northumberland

39.5 To consider amendments to the Grant Policy

40.AMENITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

40.1 To receive the Amenities Committee Minutes 29 May 2025

40.2 To discuss installing QR codes upon all memorials and town signage

40.3 To discuss water meter issues at Paddlers Park and determine a way forward

40.4 To agree alternative location for Chatty Bench on land behind horseshoe hill

40.5 To note outcome of shutter service and agree retrospective approval for remedial repairs required at a cost of £600 plus VAT

40.6 To agree retrospective approval for replacement of mesh panels to High Street Bus Shelter at a cost of £1098.66 plus vat

40.7 To receive and discuss quotations for laying down of x3 large memorials in East Cemetery. Quotation 1 £480, Quotation 2 £739.69.

40.8 Amble Toilet Refurbishment and temporary toilet update

40.9 Dilston Terrace King Cypher flower bed

41: PLANNING COMMITTEE

41.1 To note the planning update for May 2025 – to follow

41.2 To note letter and comments sent to Planning re development Land South And South East Of James Calvert Spence College Acklington Road, and agreed entrance / exit on B6345

42. AGENDA ITEMS:

42.1 To agree completion of Councillor skills audit

42.2 To discuss preparation of 4 year council plan

42.3 To agree working party to focus on policies, grants and parking / traffic, to agree membership of working parties and remit.

42.4 To review Social Media Policy

42.5 To discuss and agree supporting in principle, Amble Development Trust in exploring the retaining of the JCSC Sports Hall

42.6 To consider and agree submission of FOI / SAR to NCC for data relating to the JCSC planning application.

42.7 To discuss plans for Meet Your Councillors event

42.8 To discuss ongoing issues with Hauxley Grange POS and agree writing to developer

42.9 To discuss possibility of St Cuthbert Parish Hall becoming a community building

- 42.10 To discuss proposals for the 2025 Chairmans Reception including format, entertainment and budget
- 42.11 To discuss whether Council would like have a VJ Day event
- 42.12 To discuss concerns raised re access to outdoor spaces at King Edwin Primary School
- 42.13 To discuss creation of an area of reflection at Amble West Cemetery
- 42.14 To discuss and agree necessary repair to Acklington Road, Paddlers Park and Leazes Street Coal Trucks
- 42.15 To discuss additional funding request from Amble Events Committee
- 42.16 To consider collation of historical District Council land not transferred to NCC land ownership
- 42.17 To agree adult and junior civic award winners
- 42.18 To agree July 2025 Newspaper for The Ambler *to follow*
- 42.19 To note concern re gas leak and consider letter to British Gas
- 42.20 To receive an update Amble West Cemetery and to discuss proposal to retain wildflower area at Amble West Cemetery
- 42.21 To review Restricted Contact arrangements
- 42.22 To note Amble Library new opening and closing times; to consider a letter to NCC regarding a lack of consultation on these; to consider Library campaign

43. COMMUNICATIONS: RECOMMENDATION - *That the Council note or discuss where necessary the items.*

- 43.1 Chairs invite to Amble Links Primary School Art Exhibition

44. INFORMATION ITEMS AND ITEMS FOR CIRCULATION:

RECOMMENDATION - *That the Council note the information items.*

- 44.1 To note letter sent to County Cllrs re Pelican Crossing on The Wynd
- 44.2 To note letter sent to David Smith MP re Persimmons and Percy Drive
- 44.3 To note letter to NCC re concerns regarding education refurbishments and new builds.
- 44.4 To note letter to NCC re further information on JCSC Sports Hall
- 44.5 To note concerns re phone network outage and letter to NCC
- 44.6 To note CAN Newsletter 16/05,

45. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

- 45.1 10 July 2025, Amble Town Council Offices, Fourways2 at 6p.m.

46. DATES FOR DIARIES

- 9 June 2025, Highways Infrastructure Manager, Robin McCartney, 10am
- 13 June 2025, JCSC, 10.30am
- 25 June 2025, Estate Walkabout, 10am
- 11 July 2025, Young Citizen of the Year Award

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC: To consider passing the following resolution: That under Section 1(2) the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the agenda due to their sensitive nature.

PRIVATE

47. EXEMPT REPORT

- 47.1 RECOMMENDATION – That the Council notes the contents of the report and consider actions where necessary.

48. PRIVATE REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED BY MEMBERS AS PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS

48.1 To receive the private report of Councillors who represent ATC on outside bodies (Cllr Reports)

- Amble Development Trust

49. AGENDA ITEMS

49.1 To discuss advice received regarding sale of land

- To note advice provided

49.2 To receive an update from meeting with NCC / ADT re JCSC

50. INFORMATION ITEMS

50.1 To receive notes of meeting with County Cllrs 4 June 2025