


AMBLE TOWN COUNCIL
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To Members of Amble Town Council; L McTaggart, J Richards, I Rackham, M Joyce, C Dawson, C Connolly, K MacColl, T Regan, L Osborne

You are **SUMMONED** to attend an Ordinary meeting of Full Council of Amble Town Council to be held on Thursday 12th March 2026, 6pm. at Conference Room, Top Floor, Fourways 2, 6 Dilston Terrace, Amble, NE650DT for the transaction of the business shown on the agenda below

BY ORDER OF 
Vicki Smith
Town Clerk
6th March 2026

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

212.APOLOGIES

213. 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.

214. MINUTES: TOWN COUNCIL

214.1 To agree correction of attendance for the meeting of 8 January 2026

214.2: To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2026, items 193 – 204.1

Members are asked to show their agreement

215. CLERK'S REPORT:

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

215.1 Clerks Report attached

Members are asked to show their agreement

216. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS and REPORT:

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

216.1: Chairman

216.2: Vice Chairman

Members are asked to note the reports

217: Update from Neighbourhood Development Steering Group

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

218. REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS:

218.1: To receive a report from County Councillor Hume

218.2: To receive a report from County Councillor Davidson

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

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

220. FINANCIAL REPORT:

220.1 To consider voucher numbers 269 – 302 for payment and 68 - 73 for receipt.

220.2 Bank Reconciliation to 31 January 2026

220.3 Bank Reconciliation to 27 February 2026

220.4 Year to date figures

220.5 Grant Requests

- North East War Memorials

220.6 To agree budget correction due to formula error

221.AMENITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

221.1 To agree the Cemetery Fees for 2026/2027

222: PLANNING COMMITTEE

222.1 To receive and note planning report

223. AGENDA ITEMS:

223.1 To delegate authority to the Clerk to enter into a transitional SLA partnership for a period of 6 months and allocate up to £45,000 from existing budget towards meeting the costs of this.

223.2 Perusant to sections, 111, 112(2), 214(2), 214(6), 215(1)&(2), of the 1972 Local Government Act and the s.96 of the Highways Act of 1980. Members consent to delegate spending authority of up to £63,850 from Earmarked Reserves (as outlined in Appendix 1) to the Clerk as the Responsible Financial Officer to set-up an Internal Grounds Maintenance Service. It is also moved that the 'SLA with NCC' budget heading, be renamed 'In-House Service Provision', and the amount budgeted be raised from £93,388 to £144,932.86, such as to allow for all other outlined costs to be met.

223.3 To agree position on Tender for Grounds Maintenance

223.4 To agree Tender for Memorial Gardens

223.5 To consider proposal from community group Pride in Amble

223.6 To agree policy review support, Health and Safety support and compliance via external contract

223.7 To note update re political affiliation when leafletting during election canvassing

223.8 To declare a Climate Emergency in line with Northumberland County Council, to half this Councils carbon footprint within two years with the ambition to be carbon neutral by 2030, extending to net zero for all greenhouse gases by 2040

223.9 To agree amendment to the Environmental Policy with agreement to measure and actively reduce Amble Town Councils carbon footprint

223.10 To agree the Staff Welfare policy

223.11 To receive an update on CCTV provision

223.12 To agree IT Service Level Agreement with Northumberland County Council and agree additional funding required from general fund.

223.13 To approve the Data Audit working document, Data Protection Roadmap, Model Publication Scheme and Data Protection Risk Assessment

223.14 To note action taken regarding compliance with Assertion 10 AGAR requirements

223.15 To receive report on suggested additional banking arrangements and agree new opening of new account(s)

223.16 To agree Payroll and Pension Service Level Agreement with NCC for 2026/2027

223.17 To agree Councils response to Community Governance Review taking into account previous outcomes- deadline 30 April

223.18 To agree retrospective approval for staff training:

- What to do if you Consider a Bad / Unlawful Planning Decision Has Been Made (18th February 2026) £46.20
- Reginal Training Seminar - North (11th March 2026) - £85.00

223.19 To discuss and agree quotations for installation of coal truck liners

223.20 To seek retrospective approval for Newspaper for March 2026

223.21 To agree proposal to continue works on 4 year Strategy Plan and create Task and Finish Group

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

224.1 To note FOI request received 14 February 2026

224.2 To note communication from ICO

225. INFORMATION ITEMS AND ITEMS FOR CIRCULATION: RECOMMENDATION - *That the Council note the information items.*

225.1 To note letter to Northumbria Police re Operation Ford

225.2 To note the update re Safer Communities funding requirements

225.3 Libraries Consultation 2026

225.4 Notes of meeting with Football Foundation 8 January 2026

226. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

226.1 9 April 2026, Amble Town Council Offices, Fourways2 at 6p.m.

227. DATES FOR DIARIES

23rd March 2026 – 3pm – 6pm – Northumbria Police Engagement Day – Amble Library

25th March 2026 – 5.30pm – Meeting with Northumbria Police

26th March 2026 – 6.00pm – Amenities Committee

9th April 2026 – 6.00pm – Full Council

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

228. EXEMPT REPORT

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

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

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

230. AGENDA ITEMS

230.1 To receive and agree Tenders received for Grave Digging Service

230.2 To discuss historical political affiliation canvassing

ACCRONYMS

ATC – Amble Town Council

NCC – Northumberland County Council

JCSC – James Calvert Spence College

ADT – Amble Development Trust

NALC – Northumberland Association of Local Councils

AYP – Amble Youth Project

WHC – Warkworth Harbour Commissioners

LCWIP – Local Cycling Walking Infrastructure Plans

RAW – Rotary of Amble and Warkworth

NDP – Neighbourhood Development Plan