14 March 2013

To: The Chair and Members of the County Council Local Committee for Copeland

Agenda

COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR COPELAND

A meeting of the County Council Local Committee for Copeland will be held as follows:

Date: Friday 22 March 2013
Time: 10.15 am
Place: Cleator Moor Civic Hall & Masonic Centre

Caroline Ellwood
Interim Assistant Director – Legal and Democratic Services

Please note the meeting will be followed by private Members’ briefings on the Walney Windfarm proposals and Nuclear Issues

Group Meetings:

Labour: 9.00 am
Conservative: 9.15 am

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Conservative (5)  Labour (6)
Mrs SE Brown  Mr FI Morgan (Chair)
Mr N Clarkson  Mrs W Skillicorn (Vice-Chair)
Mr RS Cole  Mr M Hawkins
Mr GRPM Roberts  Mr TJ Knowles
Mr A Wonnacott  Mr DE Southward
Mr J Woolley

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Agenda and Reports

Copies of the agenda and Part I reports are available for members of the public to inspect prior to the meeting. Copies will also be available at the meeting.

The agenda and Part I reports are also available on the County Council’s website – www.cumbria.gov.uk

Background Papers

Requests for the background papers to the Part I reports, excluding those papers that contain exempt information, can be made to Legal and Democratic Services at the address overleaf between the hours of 9.00 am and 4.30 pm, Monday to Friday.
A G E N D A

PART 1: ITEMS LIKELY TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members are invited to disclose any disclosable pecuniary interest they have in any item on the agenda which comprises:

1 Details of any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.

2 Details of any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. (This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

3 Details of any contract which is made between you (or a body in which you have a beneficial interest) and the authority

   (a) Under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and

   (b) Which has not been fully discharged.

4 Details of any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the authority.

5 Details of any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the authority for a month or longer.

6 Details of any tenancy where (to your knowledge)

   (a) The landlord is the authority; and

   (b) The tenant is a body in which you have a beneficial interest.

7 Details of any beneficial interest in securities of a body where

   (a) That body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the authority; and
(b) Either –

(i) The total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or

(ii) If that share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

Note

A “disclosable pecuniary interest” is an interest of a councillor or their partner (which means spouse or civil partner, a person with whom they are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they are civil partners).

3 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any item on the agenda.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 25 January 2013 (copy enclosed).

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5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There are no questions, petitions or deputations at the time of despatch.

6 PRESENTATION - PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

To receive a presentation from the Deputy Director of Public Health in relation to the transition of Public Health from the NHS to the County Council.

7 PRESENTATION - WELFARE REFORM

To receive a presentation from the Senior Manager – Policy, Planning and Communities in relation to Welfare Reform.


EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

8 LOCAL COMMITTEE DEVOLVED BUDGET 2012/13: MONITORING REPORT - HIGHWAYS BUDGET

[Electoral Divisions: All]

To consider a report by the Corporate Director – Resources (copy enclosed).

The report presents the provisional actual expenditure and commitments recorded against the Local Committee’s Highways Revenue and Capital Budgets as at 28 February 2013.

(Pages 17 - 24)

9 LOCAL COMMITTEE DEVOLVED BUDGET 2012/13: MONITORING REPORT - COMMUNITIES BUDGET

[Electoral Divisions: All]

To consider a report by the Corporate Director – Resources (copy enclosed).

The report presents the provisional actual expenditure and commitments recorded against the Local Committee’s Communities Budget as at 28 February 2013.

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10 MEMBERS’ DIVISIONAL ALLOWANCES

[Electoral Divisions: Cleator Moor North and Frizington, Cleator Moor South and Egremont, Kells and Sandwith, Mirehouse, Bransty, Hillcrest, Hensingham and Arlecdon]

To consider a report from the Chief Executive (copy enclosed).

The report seeks to commit elements of the Local Revenue Schemes budgets, and includes Members’ proposals which have been sufficiently worked up to enable Local Committee to consider spending decisions.

(Pages 41 - 60)

11 THWAITES SCHOOL, MILLOM - CHANGE OF AGE RANGE CONSULTATION

[Electoral Divisions: Seascale and Whicham]

To consider a report by the Corporate Director – Children’s Services (copy enclosed).

The report provides background to the consultation to be undertaken by the County Council on the proposed provision of a maintained nursery at Thwaites School by means of a change of age range from 4-11 to 3-11.

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12 COPELAND HIGHWAYS WORKING GROUP

To consider the minutes of the Copeland Highways Working Group held on 12 February 2013 (copy enclosed).
(Pages 73 - 76)

13 COPELAND LOCAL COMMITTEE DEVOLVED HIGHWAYS BUDGETS 2013/14

[Electoral Divisions: All]

To consider a report by the Corporate Director – Environment (copy enclosed).

The report details recommendations for the Local Committee’s devolved revenue and capital highways budgets for 2013/2014, which will form the basis of the Local Committee’s devolved programmes for 2013/14 and provide a core programme for future years, subject to annual review.

(Pages 77 - 86)

14 BETTER HIGHWAYS MONITORING REPORT

[Electoral Divisions: All]

To consider a report by the Corporate Director – Environment (copy enclosed).

The report provides Members with an update on highways maintenance issues using the Better Highways approach. It contains the new Measures as well as a profile of the work done.

(Pages 87 - 100)

15 PERMANENT PROHIBITION OF PEDESTRIANS - SALTON PIT

[Electoral Divisions: Kells and Sandwith]

To consider a report by the Corporate Director – Environment (copy enclosed).

The report on behalf of the Traffic Management Engineer provides Members with an additional update, following an error in the report detailed to Members on 25 January 2013.

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16 APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS OF NURSERY, PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

[Electoral Divisions: All]

To consider a report by the Corporate Director – Children’s Services (copy enclosed).

The report seeks approval of nominations of Cumbria County Council Governors of Nursery, Primary and Secondary Schools.

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NON EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

17 LOCAL COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND LEADERSHIP

To receive the minutes of the Local Committee Chairs and Leadership Meeting held on 23 January 2013 (copy enclosed).

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18 NUCLEAR ISSUES