



BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

You are hereby requested to attend a meeting of the **Governance Committee** to be held on **Tuesday 6 October 2026**, at **6:30pm** in the Council Chamber, Arms Everytne House, Quay Road, Blyth, NE24 2AS

MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

B W Elliott (Chair)	B Erskine
M Peart (Vice Chair)	D Johnson
R A Baker	D Nicholson
D Campbell	M Nicholson
A Cartie	N Rolls
D Carr	D Swinhoe
T E Elliott	

Electronic devices can be used to access Committee papers. Please ensure that mobile phones are switched to silent mode during the meeting. Members are reminded to observe the Blyth Town Council Code of Conduct.

The Council Chamber will be open to members of the public 10 minutes before the meeting is about to commence.

Please remember to sign in.

Should a member be unable to attend the meeting, they must write to the Town Clerk with their apologies and proposal for a substitute member a minimum of 24 hours before the meeting take places, so that the details of the substitution are made available to the Chairman. Details of substitutions will be recorded in the minutes.

Malcolm Wilkinson
Town Clerk

Date: 29 September 2026

AGENDA

1	Apologies for Absence
2	Disclosures of Interests and Grant of Dispensations
3	Minutes of the previous Governance Committee The minutes of the previous meeting held 9 July 2026 were approved at the Full Council meeting held 16 July 2026.
4	Actions arising from previous minutes
5	Information Report – Armed Forces Covenant
6	Governance Committee Budget Monitoring Report
7	Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26 Completion of Audit 2025/26 Letter It is RECOMMENDED that the members note: • The successful completion of the External Audit 2025/26 with one matter arising, • The information note relating to the matter arising, and • The publication of the Notice of Completion of Audit 2025/26 in the Council notice board and on the Council website. (The above documents will be submitted to the next Full Council for ratification)
8	Internal Audit Interim Report 2026/27
9	Decision Report – Williams Expedition Sculpture Recommendation that the Governance Committee formally agrees to accept the Williams Expedition Sculpture as an asset of the Town Council.
10	Date & Time of Next Meeting The next meeting of the Governance Committee will be held in the Council Chamber, Arms Everytne House on 5 January 2027 at 6.30 pm.

Strategic Objectives Update