



North Petherton Town Council

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Information to be published	How the information can be obtained
Class1 - Who we are and what we do. (Organisational information, structures, locations, and contacts) Current information only.	Website Hard Copy
List of Council members and their responsibilities as well as a list of Council Committees Details of any representation on local public bodies.	Website Hard Copy
Postal and email address Contact details for the Town Clerk and Council members Where possible, provide named contacts including contact phone numbers and email addresses	Website Hard Copy
Location of main Council office and accessibility details	Website

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained
	Hard Copy
Staffing structure	Website Hard Copy
Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it. (Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, procurement, contracts and financial audit)	Website Hard Copy
Current and previous financial year as a minimum	
Statement of accounts and internal audit report in the format included in the Annual Return Form	Website Hard Copy
Finalised budget	Website Hard Copy
Precept	Website Hard Copy
Borrowing Approval letter	Website Hard Copy
All items of expenditure above £100	Website Hard Copy
Financial Standing Orders and Regulations	Website Hard Copy
Grants given and received	Website Hard Copy
List of current contracts awarded and value of contract	Website Hard Copy
Members' allowances and expenses Note: North Petherton Town Council does not operate a members' allowance scheme	Not Held
Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing. (Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews)	Website Hard Copy
Current and previous year as a minimum	
Annual governance statement in format included in the annual Return form	
Parish Plan	Not held
Annual Report to Parish or Community Meeting	Not held
Quality status	Not held
Local charters drawn up in accordance with DLUHCs guidelines	Not held
Data protection impact assessments (in full or summary format) or any other impact assessment (eg health & safety impact)	Website Hard Copy

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assessment, equality impact assessment etc) as appropriate and relevant	
Class 4 – How we make decisions. (Decision making processes and records of decisions)	Website
Current and previous council year as a minimum	
Timetable of meetings (Council and any committee/sub-committee meetings and parish meetings)	Website Hard Copy
Agendas of meetings (as above)	Website Hard Copy
Minutes of meetings (as above) Note. this will exclude information that is properly considered to be exempt from disclosure.	Website Hard Copy
Reports presented to council meetings Note. this will exclude information that is properly considered to be exempt from disclosure	Website Hard Copy
Responses to consultation papers	Website Hard Copy
Responses to planning applications (this will usually be in the format of the minutes of the relevant (Planning) Committee	Website Hard Copy
Bye-laws	Website Hard Copy
Class 5 – Our policies and procedures (Current written protocols, policies, and procedures for delivering our services and responsibilities)	
Current information only	
Policies and procedures for the conduct of council business e.g.: • Procedural standing orders • Committee and sub-committee terms of reference • Delegated authority in respect of officers • Code of Conduct • Policy statements	Website Hard Copy
Policies and procedures for the provision of services and about the employment of staff e.g.: • Internal instructions to staff and policies relating to the delivery of services • Equality and diversity policy • Health and safety policy • Recruitment policies and details of current vacancies	Website Hard Copy

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained
• Policies and procedures for handling requests for information • Complaints procedures (including those covering requests for information and operating the publication scheme)	
Records management, personal data and access to information policies eg • Information security policy • Records retention, destruction and archive • Data sharing • CCTV usage – Not held (the Town Council does not have any CCTV)	Hard Copy
Class 6 – Lists and Registers Currently maintained lists and registers only	
Information legally required to hold in publicly available registers	Website Hard Copy
Assets register, including details of public land building assets.	Website Hard Copy
Disclosure log indicating the information provided in response to FOIA and EIR requests;	Website
Register of members' interests	Website Available for inspection
Register of gifts and hospitality	Website Available for inspection
Class 7 – The services we offer (Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance and newsletters produced for the public and businesses) Current information only	
Allotments	Website
Burial grounds and closed churchyards	Website
Community centres and village halls The town Council does not own or manage any community centres or village halls	Not held
Parks, playing fields and recreational facilities	Website

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained
Seating, litter bins	Website
Bus shelters	Website
Markets The Town Council does not organise or manage any markets	Not held
Public conveniences	Website
Agency agreements The town Council is not a party to any agency agreements	Not held
Services for which the council is entitled to recover a fee, together with those fees (e.g. burial fees)	Website Hard Copy

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Schedule Of Charges:

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