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Resident looks to gauge public opinion

Town council idea surveyed

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A SURVEY is being carried out to see if Whitley Bay residents want their own town council.

Robin Smith, from Grosvenor Drive, has started the questionnaire to gauge whether residents in the town think there is a need for a town council.

"There was a North East Area Forum in March 2008 on the single topic of a town/parish council for Whitley Bay," he said.

"I would like to gauge the views of the local community, and to that end I am carrying out a survey over the next six months.

"I have created a survey form that

can be accessed via the internet that allows a choice of what area a town council for Whitley Bay might cover and plenty of space for individuals to express their views.

"Towards the end of the survey period I will draft a report to be submitted to North Tyneside Council that will be available to all who completed the survey form to allow them to influence the final version before it is submitted.

"I will also take into account ideas and opinions expressed by those who may prefer to use other means than by filling in a form."

Anyone who would like to complete the survey can do so by visiting <http://freespace.virgin.net/smith.robinsurveyform.htm>

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