

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Waldridge Parish Council held on
11 November 2014 at 7.00pm**

Present: Councillors - Cork, Foster, Harris, Howie, Huston and McDonnell

Also in attendance - Angela Foster - Parish Clerk, Brian Laidler – caretaker, County Cllr Katherine Henig

1. **Welcome** – The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. One minutes silence was held for Remembrance Day

2. **Apologies for Absence:**

Resolved: Cllrs Cooper (holiday) and Jassat (school governors meeting) Moody (hospital) gave their apologies - and the reason was accepted.

3. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

No members declared an interest

4. **Questions from members of the public:**

No members of the public in attendance

5. **Police Report:**

PCSO Lumsden attended and gave his report 1 youth nuisance, 3 criminal damage and 1 vehicle nuisance

PCSO Cain has produced a POP Plan (Problem Oriented Policing Plan) for the Millennium Green after several incidents including fire.

A request to use the Parish Rooms for one evening for a safe place to take youths who have been drinking was made. It was agreed as long as no damage to the rooms took place.

The police wish to advertise for volunteers to carry out several duties including speed watch. It was agreed to advertise in clippings and Face book.

6. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

Resolved *That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2014 were approved and signed by the Chairman*

7. **Clerks report:**

No report submitted

8. **Parish Matters and on-going items**

a) **Planning applications received**

To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was published.

No applications received

b) **To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was published.**

No applications received

c) **County Councillors report** – Cllr Henig submitted her report covering:

Ongoing projects - Dog fouling stickers / Flood defence

Traffic management - Hermitage School / Community speed involvement / Parking in Waldrige Village

Other issues - Chester le Street post office / Rogue traders week

Resolved: *The report was noted. All matters accepted.*

d) **Fitness equipment monthly inspections** – The equipment has been inspected. More damage has occurred since last meeting. Police have been informed. Costs of signs were discussed

Resolved: *It was agreed to purchase 4 signs at £3.99 each.*

e) **Recent fire on Millennium Green** - After a recent fire on bonfire night, damage was caused to the green. It was suggested asking the probation to help clear up, along with clearing the paths of grass. The problems will be addressed by the POP Plan previously discussed.

f) **Budget** - The budget was discussed, changes were made, this to be brought to the next meeting for approval in readiness for precept setting in January. Projects that were not completed to be carried forward to next year. This money to be earmarked for next year. An action plan will be produced.

g) **Parking problems in the village** – One location has been identified, Cllr Henig to check if the land is DCC before further communications made.

h) **Quality status** - New criteria has been submitted for re-accreditation. A foundation level was offered for one year

Resolved: *It was agreed to apply for foundation and get all the criteria up to date before December 2015*

i) **Fun day** – All details were discussed

Resolved: *A date of 6 September was agreed. The Clerk to book all activities previously used.*

j) **Award evening** – All final arrangements discussed

Resolved: All arrangements / agenda agreed, it was agreed to purchase wine and refreshments for the evening.

k) **Halloween** – The event was discussed, it was agreed to hold again next year. Several requests were made. This to be discussed when arranging event.

l) **Scarecrow trail** – This to be placed on next agenda due to time restraints

m) **Disciplinary procedure** - The document was distributed for approval

Resolved: *It was agreed to adopt*

n) **Delegation scheme** - The document was distributed for approval

Resolved: *It was agreed to adopt*

o) **Standing orders** - This was amended to include filming at meetings.

Resolved: *It was agreed to adopt changes*

p) **Timetable of events** – CDALC forthcoming events (if any)

No training available at present

q) **Correspondence received**

- Nothing received

r) **Correspondence received after agenda published** (to note only)

- Nothing received

s) **Waldrige in Bloom working group update** –

Cllr Cork gave an update. He wishes to apply to the Hagrid Fund, the Clerk to check for details.

Northumbria in Bloom application request to apply

Resolved: *It was agreed to apply and to raise cheque for £125.00*

t) **AAP forum updates** –

- Nothing to report

u) **Urgent issues for noting** (Clerk to use delegated powers if necessary) **and any items Councillors wish to agenda for next meeting**

9. **Financial Matters**

	(a) <u>Payments</u>	
<u>Resolved:</u> That the following payments be agreed:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the sum of £572.54 be paid to Mrs A Foster (October 2014 wage) That the sum of £183.83 be paid to Mr B Laidler (October 2014 wage) this to incorporate minimum wage increase That the sum of £500.00 be paid to Waldrige Village Hall – grants That the sum of £502.80 be paid to Mrs A Foster – voucher, canvas, refreshments That the sum of £4.50 be paid to CDALC - governance book That the sum of £125.00 be paid to Northumbria in Bloom
	(b)	<u>Receipts</u> <u>Resolved:</u> That the following receipts be noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That the sum £42.00 was received for room hire
<p>10. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>9 December 2014 to commence at 7.00pm</p> <p>The meeting terminated at 9.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chairman</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Date</p>		