

## WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council of Waldridge Parish Council held on 7 May 2013 at 6.30pm.**

**Present:** Councillors Brannan, Cork, Douglas, Foster, Harris, Howie, Huston, McDonnell and Smith.

**1. To elect a Chairman for the ensuing year**

Cllr Michael Huston was voted as Chairman for the forthcoming year:

***Resolved:** That Councillor Huston be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year and signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office, witnessed by the Clerk.*

**2. To appoint a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year**

Cllr Brannan was voted as Vice-Chairman for the forthcoming year.

***Resolved:** That Councillor Brannan be elected Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year*

**3. Declaration of acceptance of office**

***Resolved:** All members signed their declaration of office and received copy of member's interest forms, these to be completed and return within 28 days.*

**4. To receive and accept apologies for absence**

All members present

**5. General Power of Competence**

The Councillors resolved to adopt the General Power of Competence as Waldridge PC have continued to meet the criteria set out in the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 Localism Act 2011 s 1-8

**6. Outgoing Chairpersons Annual Report (Verbal)**

Councillor McDonnell thanked the Council for their support over the last year. She noted every year is improving and the council are working really well together. She thanked the Clerk and Caretaker for their continued commitment.

7. **Dispensations** – All members required to sign the dispensation form in relation to the Millennium Green Trust

**Resolved:** *Dispensation was granted, this will last until the day of the next annual meeting of the council in 2017*

8. **To appoint representatives on outside organisations:**

Waldrige Fell Advisory Group	Cllrs Cork / Foster / Harris, McDonnell / Douglas / Brannan
<i>AAP – focus groups</i>	<i>Cllr Douglas</i>
<i>AAP – board meetings</i>	<i>Cllrs Douglas / Smith</i>
<i>CDALC – smaller local council’s forum</i>	<i>Clerk / all members</i>
<i>Chester-le-Street area meeting</i>	<i>Clerk / all members</i>

9. **To appoint representatives on working groups:**

<i>Northumbria in Bloom/ Millennium Green Events</i>	<i>All members All members</i>
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10. **To accept financial report**

The Clerk circulated financial report for 2012 / 2013

**Resolved:** *To accept the report as a true record of accounts*

11. **Standing orders / financial regulations / asset register**

**Resolved:** *That these documents be adopted*

12. **To note the agreed schedule of Council meetings for 2013 / 14**

**Resolved:** *To accept schedule of dates*

The meeting terminated at 7.00pm

**Chairman**