

WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Waldridge Parish Council held on
11 December 2012 at 7.00pm



Present: Councillors – Brannan, Douglas, Foster, Harris, Howie and Richardson

Also in attendance - Angela Foster, Parish Clerk, Cllr Bainbridge DCC

1. **Welcome** – The Vice Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. **Apologies for Absence:**

Resolved: Cllrs McDonnell, Cork and Huston gave their apologies and the reasons were accepted.

3. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Resolved: No members declared an interest on any agenda item

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

- Parking issues – one resident from the flats are taking up a lot of parking spaces in the village, it was mentioned that when the flats originally had plans accepted that it was a condition that parking would not impact on the village. The Clerk to check with planning.
- Parking on the corner of Poplar Street – a car has completely blocked the footpath, the police to put a warning notice on.
- Cllr Bainbridge to see if white lines could be placed on the corners of Poplar Street leading to the narrow lane.
- The overgrown land was mentioned once more, the Clerk to check who is the owner and send a letter, also to send a letter to all residents of the flats to find out who lets their dogs foul.

5. **Police Report:**

PCSO Amy Fleetham attended and gave her report – 7 total incidents 1 rowdy youth nuisance, 3 criminal damage, 1 theft, 1 burglary and 1 vehicle nuisance. She noted that crime statistics were 105 fewer crimes and 824 fewer victims of ASB this year.

6. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

Resolved That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 November 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

7. **Clerks report:**

No report submitted

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

a) **Planning applications received**

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

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| 2/12/00275/FUL | 11 Cloverhill Chester-le-Street Durham DH2 2LZ | Creation of porch within existing open entrance and erection of sun room to rear (replacing existing conservatory) |
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Resolved: *To recommend approval.*

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

No plans submitted

c) **Section 106 money** – The application has been submitted, 3 quotes are needed if over £5,000. Locations need to be named.

Resolved: *It was agreed which locations and the Clerk to get 3 quotes – 2 wood and 1 metal.*

d) **Clippings** – The Christmas clippings were circulated

Resolved: *It was agreed to go to print.*

e) **Budget setting** – The draft budget proposed in November meeting was discussed

Resolved: The budget was agreed

f) **Inn on the Green** – Correspondence received from DCC stating the direction of the new path. Also correspondence received from the owners Mr and Mrs Bowery stating it was the Parish Council's request for this path heading in the fell.

Resolved: The correspondence was noted, but the path from point A needs to be clarified that a footpath would be parallel to the road, as this is a dangerous bend in the road.

- g) **Footpath at Poplar Street** - after discussions at the last meeting re access to the paths in front of houses 19 – 27 Poplar Street

Resolved: *Information received from DCC and land registry states the paths do belong to the owners of the houses.*

- h) **Correspondence received**

- i. Letter from resident regarding speeding at Warkworth Drive and requesting 20mph

Resolved:

- i. *The police have carried out speedwatch in that area and the results did not prove excess speeding. This will be carried out once again. The Clerk to send letter to resident explaining it would be DCC re the speed reduction, as it is out of the Parish Councils jurisdiction, but could arrange another speedwatch if needed.*

- i) **Correspondence received after agenda published – for noting**

- Nothing received

- j) **Millennium Green** – Cllr Bainbridge will fund 3 items of fitness equipment to be placed on the green, the Clerk to check the constitution. Also improve the circle.

Resolved: *The Council all agreed to this and thanked Cllr Bainbridge.*

- k) **Toilet floor** – Confirmation from the insurance company stated as long as the floor is non slip. The members decided to still go with a good quality floor.

Resolved: *It was agreed to get companies who supply this material to give quotes*

- l) **Fun day** – to agree date for 2013

Resolved: *It was agreed to go with 1 September, the Clerk to book last years activities and the wood sculpture. This to be placed on February agenda to agree extra activities.*

- m) **AAP forum updates** – Cllr Douglas gave a brief outline to recent meetings attended. Following the grot spots, Waldridge has been identified as a problem area for dog fouling. Mobile signs were suggested.

Resolved: *It was agreed to ask for 10 signs so all councillors could be responsible for one and keep moving them around.*

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

- Litter pick diary dates

8. **Financial Matters**

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| | (a) <u>Payments</u> | |
| <u>Resolved:</u> That the following payments be agreed: | | |
| | <p>(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)</p> | <p>That the sum of £489.60 be paid to Mrs A Foster (November 2012 wage) That the sum of £158.48 be paid to Mr B Laidler (November 2012 wage) That the sum of £3.60 be paid to Mr B Laidler (Expenses) That the sum of £33.00 be paid to Mrs A Foster (telephone) That the sum of £40.00 be paid to Mrs A Foster – boiler service That the sum of £146.00 be paid to Studio 3 – clippings That the sum of £76.80 be paid to St Johns Ambulance That the sum of £127.00 be paid to SLCC – membership That the sum of £123.51 be paid to St Barnabas Nursery final water bill</p> |
| | (b) <u>Receipts</u> | |
| <u>Resolved:</u> That the following receipts be noted: | | |
| | <p>(1)</p> | <p>That the sum of £42.00 was received for room hire</p> |
| <p>10. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>Tuesday 8 January 2013 - 7.00pm</p> <p>The meeting terminated at 8.50pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chairman</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Date</p> | | |