

## WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Waldridge Parish Council held on  
12 June 2012 at 7.00pm



**Present:** Councillors – Brannan, Cork, Douglas, Donkin, Harris, Howie, Huston, McDonnell and Richardson

**Also in attendance** - Angela Foster, Parish Clerk, Cllr Bainbridge and 3 members of the public

1. **New member** – Michael Huston was accepted on to the Council as an elected member and signed the declaration of acceptance.

2. **Apologies for Absence:**

**Resolved:** Cllr Foster gave her apologies and the reason was accepted

3. **Declaration of Interest:**

**Resolved:** No members declared an interest on any agenda item

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

- Parking at flats – this is an ongoing problem with vehicles parking and causing an obstruction. The Police are going to contact the home owner concerned. The Parish Council to send letters to the residents giving their concerns.
- Dogs barking – this problem has been reported in the past. The Clerk to speak to the dog warden to see if anything can be done.

5. **Police Report:**

PCSO's Richards and Taylor attended and gave their report –7 total incidents – 2 anti social nuisance, 1 criminal damage, 2 theft and 2 burglaries.

As above, they will take a look at the flats at Fernmeadows and speak with the residents concerned. They suggest if the owner is trading then evidence needs to be sought and sent to DCC.

They distributed posters regarding Activity Week, and asked for help advertising the event.

6. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

**Resolved** That the minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

7. **Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council**

**Resolved** That the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 8 May 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman

8. **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.**

[2/12/00124/FUL](#)      8 Dunstan Close                      Single storey extension to the front  
Chester-le-Street  
Durham  
DH2 3HX

**Resolved:**    *To recommend approval*

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

[2/12/00134/FUL](#)      50 Warkworth Drive                      Proposed single storey rear extension  
Chester-le-Street  
Durham  
DH2 3TH

**Resolved:**    *To recommend approval*

c) **Northumbria in Bloom update**

- i. Cllr Cork gave update from working group held on 29 May.
- ii. The cost of various stones ranged from £40 - £81 was discussed
- iii. The date of summer judging is 13 July 2012, members to meet at rooms 12.00pm for lunch
- iv. NWL confirmed no problem planting oak tree on Poppyfields roundabout, the Clerk to get costs for a plastic guard to go round oak tree.

**Resolved:**

- i. Update noted.
- ii. It was agreed to get one bag of gravel £40 and one bag of stones at £81. If more needed, then extra purchases will need to take place.
- iii. Date noted
- iv. To plant tree and source costs of plastic guards.

d) **Code of conduct** – The Clerk distributed the recent Code of Conduct for members. This to be used from 1 July, but further amendments will take place from NALC before adoption.

**Resolved:**    *The members agreed to use the Code and adopt when amendments made.*

e) **Section 106 monies** – Money was available under section 106 from the building of Barrett homes at Waldrige Lane. This to be spent on the arts and children's play equipment. DCC riverside park have put in an application for £10,500. The Parish Council have been asked for their approval. The Clerk to speak with Stephen Reed asking how the Parish could apply for the remaining money, and what it can be used on.

**Resolved:**    *The members agreed the money should go towards building the skate park, but would like it acknowledged the money has come from Waldrige Parish's ward.*

f) **Inn on the Green** – A letter received from Mike Ogden DCC, stating the sale is proceeding, with conditions attached relating to the land. The owners of the property have stated they will have the PROW stopped up. DCC would arrange consultation with the Parish Council if this was to happen. The Clerk to contact Kevin Telford to get more evidence forms for residents.

g) **Fun day medals** – The costs and quantity of medals was discussed

**Resolved:** *It was agreed the Clerk to purchase 250 medals at £192.95*

h) **Beat the bounds walk** – The date is arranged for 24 June at 1.00pm. This has already been advertised in the clippings, so unable to change the date.

**Resolved:** *Cllr Foster to lead the walk, other members to take part.*

i) **Correspondence received**

i. Reply from the Queen re letter of congratulations, this to be framed and put on wall

j) **Correspondence received after agenda published** – for noting

- Nothing received

k) **Update from residents association** – Two members attended the last residents meetings, the residents have decided to change their day to the same as the Parish Councils. This will mean there will be no representatives from the Parish Council attending in future.

l) **Welcome sign** – Raising the sign was once again discussed. Costs to be brought to the next meeting.

m) **Parish Rooms** –

- Two quotes were received to relay slip resistant flooring. It was decided that the material needs to be a commercial grade, not domestic.
- The cost to replace the lock and get 10 keys will be £77.50 (2 other quotes received)

**Resolved:**

- It was agreed to get the costs of non slip material for floor.*
- It was agreed to replace the lock*

n) **Neighbourhood plan update** – after the presentation from DRCC it was suggested getting the planning department from DCC to attend and give an update on the local plan. The date arranged is 18 July at 7.00pm for members to attend.

o) **AAP forum updates** – No updates available.

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

- Service providers list to track services in the village re parking
- Trailer – to get 3 quotes to replace

8. **Financial Matters**

	<b>(a)</b>	<b><u>Payments</u></b>
	<b><u>Resolved:</u></b> That the following payments be agreed:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) That the sum of £432.60 be paid to Mrs A Foster (May 2012 wage)</li> <li>(2) That the sum of £155.76 be paid to Mr B Laidler (May 2012 wage)</li> <li>(3) That the sum of £4.50 be paid to Mr B Laidler (Expenses)</li> <li>(4) That the sum of £440.80 be paid to HMRC</li> <li>(5) That the sum of £39.99 be paid to St Barnabas Nursery – fixing pins</li> <li>(6) That the sum of £118.50 be paid to St Barnabas Nursery – extra plants/compost</li> <li>(7) That the sum of £33.00 be paid to Mrs A Foster - telephone</li> <li>(8) That the sum of £24.00 be paid to Peterlee fire company</li> <li>(9) That the sum of £57.60 be paid to St Johns Ambulance – Easter</li> <li>(10) That the sum of £80.18 be paid to Mrs A Foster – Jubilee confectionery</li> <li>(11) That the sum of £30.00 be paid to Benfieldside band</li> <li>(12) That the sum of £75.00 be paid to Salvation Army</li> </ul>	
	<b>(b)</b>	<b><u>Receipts</u></b>
		<b><u>Resolved:</u></b> That the following receipts be noted:
	(1)	That the sum of £42.00 was received for room hire
<p>10. <b><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></b></p> <p>Tuesday 17 July 2012 at 7.00pm (note change of original date)</p> <p>The meeting terminated at 9.00pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Chairman</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Date</b></p>		