

**WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Waldridge  
Parish Council held on  
10 November 2015 at 7.00pm**



**Present:** Councillors - Davies, Dawson, Foster, Harris,

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

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

2. **Apologies for Absence:** -

Apologies received from Cllr Cork, Howie, McDonnell and Moody

3. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

No members declared an interest

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

2 members of the public present, their concern was police related. PCSO Haddon answered their queries regarding parked cars and lack of police presence in Waldridge.

5. **Police Report:**

PCSO Haddon gave the report - 1 burglary, 1 anti social behaviour and 2 vehicle crimes

6. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

***Resolved*** That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2015 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.**

<a href="#">DM/15/03166/FPA</a>	111 Warkworth Drive Chester-le-Street DH2 3TW	Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension
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**Resolved:** *To recommend approval*

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:

**Road Safety** - Speed limit scheme / Street lighting

**Local Environment** - Flytipping CCTV

**Other** - Car parking scheme / Birch View playground / Lumiere / Lights Switch On

**Resolved:** *Report noted - street lighting and parking to be placed on next agenda*

d) **Action plan** - The clerk distributed for consideration

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to contact Rangers to see if work can start on the nature trail.*

e) **Draft budget** - The Clerk distributed the budget for consideration, changes were made and approved

**Resolved:** *All items were agreed ready to be approved at December meeting.*

f) **Improvements to kitchen** - As per action plan - quote received for work to be carried out

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to get work done in January, accepting the quote of £626 as contractor previously used.*

g) **Fitness equipment / Millennium Green / goal posts monthly inspections** – The equipment has been inspected. Nothing to report. The probation team have been clearing the branches and paths.

**Resolved:** *Report noted.*

h) **Clippings** - the Clerk recommended sending clippings out after Xmas due to the delay in the award evening.

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to send out in January*

i) **Gazebo** - It was suggested purchasing one further gazebo for the funday.

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to purchase at cost of £74.99*

j) **Hoop on Millennium Green** - 3 quotes received

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to purchase from AMV at cost of £1,128 and install immediately*

k) **Award evening** - A new date of 16 December was suggested.

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to go with this date, the Clerk to arrange*

l) **Trees on Millennium Green** - 3 quotes received, ranging from £450 - £1,560

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to employ Durham ARB and get work done immediately at the cost of £1560. It was agreed to have a monthly inspections programme for maintenance to be carried out regularly. To ask Chris for costs to carry this out.*

m) **Moving sign on C11** - No further information as present. The Clerk to arrange a further quote and site meeting with planning.

n) **Cars parked on grass verges** - The police will arrange letter drops, the Clerk to contact DCC to see if they are responsible.

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

- Reminder of Standards free training available 18th November
- Regional conference - 9 March - the Clerk requested attendance. No costs received as yet.

**Resolved:** *Several members and Clerk booked onto Standards training. All agreed the Clerk to attend conference*

p) **Correspondence received**

- Funding opportunity from Tesco- this was discussed but decided against, unless it is local to Chester le Street. The Clerk to check out.

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

- Allotments have water leak, they wished to confirm the Parish are responsible. Which as land owners they agreed they are.

r) **Waldridge in Bloom working group update** –

- Cllr Cork not in attendance, no update

s) **AAP forum updates** –

- Nothing to report

t) **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) <b><u>Payments</u></b>	
<b><u>Resolved:</u></b> That the following payments be agreed:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1)</li> <li>(2)</li> <li>(3)</li> <li>(4)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>That the sum £590.80 be paid to Mrs A Foster (October 2015 wage)</li> <li>That the sum of £189.37 be paid to Mr B Laidler (October 2015 wage) - this to include rise in minimum wage</li> <li>That the sum of £65.50 be paid to Air Ambulance (tombola grant)</li> <li>That the sum of £65.50 be paid to McMillan Nurses (tombola grant)</li> </ul>
	(b)	<p><b><u>Receipts</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b> That the following receipts be noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) That the sum of £24.00 was received for room hire</li> </ul>
<p>10. <b><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></b></p> <p>8 December 2015 - to commence at 7.00pm</p> <p>The meeting terminated at 9.10pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Chairman</b> <b>Date</b></p>		