

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Waldridge
Parish Council held on
14 February 2017 at 7.00pm**



Present: Councillors - Baker, Cork, Davies, Foster, Harris, Howie and Moody

Also in attendance - Angela Foster - Parish Clerk, Brian Laidler - caretaker and Cllrs Katherine Henig and Keith Davidson - County Councillors and 2 members of the public.

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

2. **Apologies for Absence:**

No apologies received from Cllr McDonnell

3. **Vacancies** - Resignation received from Cllrs Doran and Dawson. As too close to elections in May the Council are able to co-opt

4. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

No members declared an interest.

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

One resident attended required about any update on play area at Birch View, Cllr Henig gave an update and will chase up further. Also report of off road biking on Waldridge Fell. He was asked to report to police when it happens.

6. **Police Report:**

No police presence, but report was submitted speed watch carried out 20 drivers warned of speed, 1 court action and 4 given points and fine.

1 Anti social nuisance, 1 road traffic damage and 1 vehicle crime.

7. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

Resolved That the minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

8. **Clerks report:**

Nothing to report

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

a) **Planning applications received**

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| DM/17/00094/FPA | 10 Long Burn Drive Chester-le-Street DH2 2XE | Two storey rear extension (resubmission) |
| DM/17/00229/FPA | 15 Cornmoor Chester-le-Street DH2 2NB | Replace timber framed windows with UPVC alternatives |
| DM/17/00170/TPO | 108 Warkworth Drive Chester-le-Street DH2 3TW | Felling of 4 No. trees (T1, T2, T4 and T5) and crown lift of 1 No. Beech tree to 7.5m |

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 watch / Police Commissioner Speed Awareness Month

Local Environment - Walldridge Fell update / Walldridge Fell improvement options

Other - AAP Board recruitment process / Beat the Street / Birch View

Resolved: *Report noted*

d) **Fitness equipment / Millennium Green / goal posts / fun hoop monthly inspections –**

Resolved: *Report noted, no issues raised*

e) **Annual inspection of fitness equipment** - Wicksteed have sent request to carry out inspection at a cost of £45

Resolved: *It was agreed to carry out the inspection*

f) **Damp in rooms** - Thermostat and dehumidifier has been purchased and seems to be working well. Quotes for the damp proofing received £1,230 plus vat from Premier Buildings

Resolved: *It was agreed to go with this company to start work after end of financial year end.*

g) **Battle is Over event** - Initial interest has been sent to Bruno Peek re event. Further activities were discussed

Resolved: *It was agreed to invite army/air/sea/fire cadets, find re-enactment*

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

- Annual return training 15 March, the Clerk requested to attend

Resolved: *It was agreed for the Clerk to attend*

i) **Policy review** - (if any to be reviewed/adopted)

- Discipline
- Grievance

Resolved: *It was agreed to approve with no changes and be updated on website*

j) **Cars parked on hammerhead - One car has since been removed.** The other owner has been spoken to and has agreed to move the car, if the car isn't moved a letter will be sent to them from DCC and a fine issued. The Parish are expected to pay the £75 to get removed and claim back

k) **Annual Parish Meeting** - Other dates were discussed

Resolved: *It was agreed to hold meeting on previously agreed date of 27th April and invite the speakers*

l) **Correspondence received**

- Nothing received

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

- Nothing received

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

- Cllr Cork gave an update.

Resolved: *Update noted.*

o) **Fun day** - All activities were discussed, the Clerk to continue to arrange.

p) **AAP forum updates –**

- Cllr Davies gave an update

Resolved: *Update noted*

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

10. **Financial Matters**

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| | (a) <u>Payments</u> | |
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| | <u>Resolved:</u> That the following payments be agreed: |
| (1) | That the sum of £617.76 be paid to Mrs A Foster (January 2017 wage) |
| (2) | That the sum of £203.30 be paid to Mr B Laidler (January 2017 wage) |
| (3) | That the sum of £2,310 be paid to St Barnabas Nursery summer bedding |
| (4) | That the sum of £153.00 be paid to Aztec - clippings |
| (5) | That the sum of £24.00 be paid to Peterlee Fire |
| (6) | That the sum of £99.00 be paid to Mrs A Foster - reimburse dehumidifier |
| (7) | That the sum of £160.00 be paid to TFS - thermostat |
| (b) | <u>Receipts</u> |
| | <u>Resolved:</u> That the following receipts be noted: |
| (1) | That the sum of £24.00 was received from room hire |
| <p>11. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>14 March 2017 - to commence at 7.00pm</p> <p>The meeting terminated at 8.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chairman Date</p> | |