

WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Waldridge
Parish Council held on
8 September 2015 at 7.00pm**



Present: Councillors - Cork, Davies, Dawson, Foster, Harris and McDonnell

Also in attendance - Angela Foster - Parish Clerk, Brian Laidler - caretaker, Cllr Katherine Henig County Councillor, Cllr Keith Davidson County Councillor and 1 member of the public

1. **Welcome** – The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies for Absence:** - The Clerk explained the new format for recording apologies.

Apologies received from Cllrs Vaughan, Moody and Howie

Cllr Cooper has tendered his resignation - the Clerk to contact DCC to call an election

3. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

No members declared an interest

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

Member of public in attendance to speak during planning applications. One report via Cllr McDonnell - the road between Olive and Lime Street is in bad state of repair. The Clerk to report to highways.

5. **Police Report:**

No police presence, and no report was submitted. PCSO Amy Cain has left the Parish and we have not had a replacement. Complaint received re neighbourhood watch as no leaflets or help is available. Report of abandoned car at hammerhead, the Clerk to contact police re these issues.

6. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

Resolved That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 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.

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| * DM/15/02303/FPA | The Inn On The Green Waldrige Road Chester-le-Street DH2 3RY | Demolition of Public House and erection of dwelling with detached garage |
| DM/15/02184/FPA | 8 Denwick Close Chester-le-Street DH2 3TL | Erection of first floor side extension |
| DM/15/02343/FPA | 19 Long Burn Drive Chester-le-Street DH2 2XE | Erection of two storey rear extension |
| DM/15/02408/FPA | 3 Poppyfields Chester-le-Street DH2 2NA | Erection of a fence |
| DM/15/02433/FPA | 1 Poppyfields Chester-le-Street DH2 2NA | Replacement of existing windows, external doors, soffits, bargeboards, fascias, and replace two single garage doors with one double garage door |

* Mr Bowery attended to discuss the application for the Inn on the Green. He explained why the building needs to be demolished and re built.

Resolved: *To recommend approval of all applications received*

7.40pm Cllr McDonnell was excused from the meeting

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 / School 20mph zones

Local Environment - Flytipping CCTV / Dog bin relocation / Fell interpretation project / Waldrige Wood Management Plan Consultation

Parking - Further spaces could be found, Cllr Henig to do preliminary searches and report back.

Resolved - *Report noted*

d) **Attendance of Sara Fortune** - She discussed improvements planned and ways of working together to improve the Fell. The council are very happy to be involved.

e) **Notice board** - Further information received from planning was discussed

Resolved: It was agreed to purchase a cheaper version of notice board and place on Millennium Green as no planning permission is needed. The Clerk to purchase up to £300

- f) **Fitness equipment / Millennium Green / goal posts monthly inspections** – The equipment has been inspected. Nothing to report

Resolved: *Report noted.*

- g) **Clippings distribution list** - Cllr Vaughan's area to be covered for Autumn Clippings then re assessed for next edition.

- h) **Display energy certificate - new regulations are in place for buildings over 25 square metres, the rooms fall into this**

Resolved: *The Clerk to contact local companies to get 3 quotes for providing the certificate, or if under £300 to arrange work to be carried out.*

- i) **Hoop on Millennium Green** - After a survey which was carried out at the fun day, the overall opinion was to install a fun hoop, the cost received for his was £1,128

Resolved: *The Clerk to arrange further quotes for next meeting, to check if planning permission is required*

- j) **Charity tombola** - the money raised at the fun day was £131.

Resolved: *It was agreed to think about which charity before next meeting*

- k) **Trees on Millennium Green** - A resident has complained about the height of the trees at the rear of their property.

Resolved: *It was agreed to speak with DCC to see if they can give advice first*

- l) **Talk from Kevin Glassey** - a talk to discuss his recent walk

Resolved: *It was agreed to get dates from Kevin*

- m) **Halloween** - The arrangements for the evening were discussed

Resolved: *The Clerk to arrange refreshments and prizes*

- n) **Timetable of events** – CDALC forthcoming events (if any)

- Standards training - 18 November - the Clerk to attend along with Cllrs Dawson, Foster, Cork and Davies

- o) **Correspondence received**

- Nothing received

- p) **Correspondence received after agenda published** (to note only)

- Nothing received

- q) **Waldridge in Bloom working group update** –

- Cllr Cork gave an update, no requests made. He announced the garden winners, the Clerk to send letters

r) **AAP forum updates –**

- Nothing to report

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

9. **Financial Matters**

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| | (a) | <u>Payments</u> |
| | <u>Resolved:</u> That the following payments be agreed: | |
| | (1) | That the sum £590.80 be paid to Mrs A Foster (August 2015 wage) |
| | (2) | That the sum of £184.03 be paid to Mr B Laidler (August 2014 wage) |
| | (3) | That the sum of £874.41 be paid to Came and Company - annual insurance |
| | (4) | That the sum of £36.00 be paid to Mrs A Foster - allowance |
| | (5) | that the sum of £309.89 be paid to St Barnabas Nursery - watering |
| | (6) | that the sum of £165.09 be paid to Mrs A Foster - funday |
| | (7) | That the sum of £130.00 Cllr Howie - tombola items (this price could change) |
| | (b) | <u>Receipts</u> |
| | | <u>Resolved:</u> That the following receipts be noted: |
| | (1) | That the sum of £10.00 was received for room hire |
| <p>10. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>13 October 2015 - to commence at 7.00pm</p> <p>The meeting terminated at 9.15pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chairman Date</p> | | |