

FRAMWELLGATE MOOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 5th November 2014 held in the Pavilion Building, Front Street, commencing at 6.30pm.

Present:- Councillors: - P.Wolstenholme (Chair), C.Lowery, A.Smith, K.Gates and T. Moderate

One Member of the Public
County Councillor Wilkes
Two Police Representatives

Apologies: - Councillors:- C.Hillary, K. Willis, G. Blenkiron, T.Simpson, and , D.Gill.

Declarations of Interest

The Clerk requested that all members of the Council declare whether or not they had any personal and / or prejudicial interest in any items of this month's agenda.

There were no declarations of interest made.

Min.No.2788

Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion submitted.

Min.No.2789

Report of Community Police

The Chairman welcomed the Police Representatives to the meeting.

A written report was circulated to the meeting which included details of Burglaries, Criminal Damage, Thefts and Anti Social behaviour in the Parish during the month of October 2014.

All questions on the report were suitably answered by the Police representative following which the Chairman thanked the Police representative for their attendance.

A special presentation would be given to the next meeting of the Parish Council by the Durham Police Chief.

Min.No.2790

Approval of the minutes of previous meetings held on 1st October 2014

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and were confirmed as a true and correct record and they were signed by the Chairman.

Min.No.2791

Matters arising from the previous meetings held on the 1st October 2014

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting held on 1st October 2014.

Min.No.2792

Memorial Plaque Project

A full discussion took place on the progress to date including the following issues:

- The overall cost of the project was £1366
- The Council had received a contribution of £683 towards the cost of the project
- The Durham branch of the Royal British Legion had been consulted on the project and written confirmation had been received from them that they had no objections to the project.
- The Parish Council agreed to accept ownership of the new railings and the memorial plaque including responsibility for any public liability. Furthermore, the Council acknowledged

custodianship and would exercise its powers under the War Memorial Act to maintain and safeguard the memorial.

All these matters would be communicated to Durham County Council.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their help in connection with bringing the project to fruition.

Min. No.2793

Public Matters

There were no matters raised by members of the public.

Min.No.2794

Members Matters

The following items / issues were raised to be actioned / followed up for attention :-

- White lining of the middle of the road leading from Abbey Road into Smithfield, particularly the entrance to Priory House.
- Newcastle Terrace playing field was highlighted for detailed consideration at a future meeting. Of the Council.
- There were some old windows to be removed in the vicinity of Pizzatime following the installation of new windows.

Min.No.2795

Report from Unitary County Councillors

The Chairman welcomed County Councillor Wilkes to the meeting and their report included the following issues:-

- County Councillors had used local budgets to fund provision of two parking bays of 4 spaces each on Hudspeth Crescent having secured a £10,000 price reduction from the County Council on previous estimates as well as a quarter of the cost from Durham City Homes. Work likely to start in the Spring.
- County Councillors were to fund verge hardening / parking areas to the front of 26 – 31 Finchale Road in Brasside as part of a long term goal to improve the whole front of the main road through the village. Work likely to start in the Spring.
- County Play Strategy. Briefings on this are ongoing. Question about ownership and maintenance of Pity Me Play Park (The Avenue) – who is responsible. All existing sites likely to be retained across County.
- Concern about old Fire Station Site and possibility that there may be retail element which was noted by the Parish Council.
- South Terrace – problems with bins overflowing now reported to Director of Neighbourhood Services.
- Serious concerns about the planning application, building regulations and other issues at South Terrace – elevated to Director of Regeneration and Economic Development. Planning application referred to committee by County Councillors.
- There was some concern by County Councillors and some local residents about the pruning of a Hawthorn bush in the vicinity of Abbey Road by the Council. The reasons for carrying out this work were explained to the meeting
- Ongoing issue of dog fouling on The Anvil / Hartside with a view to this being addressed by Officers and Councillors.
- Winter weather – County Councillors have brought forward last years funding for grit sacks to be installed around the area. In the event of snow / prolonged icy weather we will ask for these to be placed at pre agreed locations which were described to the Council.
- Funding of Christmas Fair in Newton Hall at Alnwick Road shops which was to take place on 23rd November.

The Chairman thanked the County Councillor for his report.

Clerks Report

a. From County Council

(i) Planning Applications.

The Council considered lists of Planning Applications received since the previous meeting

All applications considered were as follows :

1. **List dated 29th September 2014**

There were no applications from this list

2. **List dated 6th October 2014**

<u>App. Number</u>	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Case Officer	Decision Level
<u>DM/14/02795/AD</u>	Costa Coffee Ltd	Costa Coffee Unit N Arnison Retail Centre Pity Me Durham DH1 5GB	Signage	Allan Fenwick	Delegated

3. **List dated 13th October 2014**

<u>App. Number</u>	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Case Officer	Decision Level
<u>DM/14/02952/LB</u>	Mr M Calzini	Adventure Valley Union Hall Farm Union Hall Farm Road Brasside Durham DH1 5SG	Loft conversion with roof lights	Tim Burnham	Delegated

4. **List dated 20th October 2014**

<u>App. Number</u>	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Case Officer	Decision Level
<u>DM/14/03093/FPA</u>	Mr A Mitchison	Bristol Street Motors Abbey Road Pity Me Durham DH1 5DQ	Alterations to front elevation to create extra floor space to existing showroom area.	Michelle Hurton	Delegated

5. **List dated 27th October 2014**

There were no applications from this list

In respect of application DM/14/03093/FPA from BRISTOL Street Motors, the Council agreed to object to this application for the reasons outlined to the meeting, but these primarily relate to the issue of parking. It was further requested that this application should be considered by a full Durham County Council committee.

Min.No.2797

b Other Correspondence

(i) North Air Ambulance

The Council received a letter of thanks in response to our recent donation.

Min.No.2798

One off Projects

A general update and discussion took place on the above.

In respect of the Christmas Tree project it was agreed that the official switching on of the lights would take place on Monday 17th November at 4.30pm in collaboration with the local Primary School and Church. Publicity of this event would be via a notice and to put the event on the Councils web site.

Min.No.2799

Finance / Governance Reports

a) Accounts for Payment / Approval of Expenditure for 2014-2015

The Clerk asked for confirmation of the Members actions in agreeing to the usual salary and wages paid in accordance with conditions of service, and employment contracts, since the last meeting AND the following Accounts, report previously circulated, it being noted that some additional Accounts below were also presented and agreed at the meeting:

59. Sainsbury Fuel Card		
-Fuel for vehicle/equipment		£25.01(includes VAT)
60. Batsons Landscape & Tree Care Ltd		
-Cutting of KGV field for September	£75.17(includes VAT)	
October	<u>£37.58</u>	
		£112.75
61. Daykin & Storey Ltd		
-Monthly support for Website(September & October)		£206.40(includes VAT)
62. Arbor Division Ltd		
-Tree works around Pavilion & KGV field area		£1920.00(includes VAT)
63. NPower		
-Pavilion electricity July to October		£96.94(includes VAT)
64. K Gates		
-Reimbursement of expenditure for one offs Project(Mr J R Ritson)		£140.00
65. Good Earth Electrical (Kevin McVittie)		
-One offs projects(various)	£805.00	
	<u>£125.00</u>	
		£930.00
66. Durham County Pension Fund		
-Pension Contributions for October		£311.97
67. S&L Builders		
- One Off Projects		£1290.00 (includes VAT)
68. Jewsons Ltd		
- One Off Projects		£14.94 (includes VAT)
69. Graham		
- One Off Projects		£6.46 (includes VAT)

70. J.R.Ritson
- One Off Projects

£140.00

TOTAL

£4882.50

Min.No.2800

Date of Next Meeting

This was agreed as

Wednesday 3rd December 2014 at 6.00pm the meeting to be held in the Pavilion Building

The meeting concluded at 8.00pm

Signed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date