

FRAMWELLGATE MOOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly Meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 5th March 2014 held at Framwellgate Moor Youth and Community Centre, Front Street, commencing at 6.30pm.

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

County Councillor Hopgood

Apologies: - Councillor 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.

Councillor Willis and Councillor Lowery declared an interest in the request for a donation from the Durham Coronary Support Group.

Min.No.2652

Report of Community Police

In the absence of the Police representatives there was no report given to the meeting.

Min.No.2653

Report of Neighbourhood Warden

In the absence of the Neighbourhood Warden representatives there was no report given to the meeting.

Min.No.2654

Approval of the minutes of previous meeting held on 5th February 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 Chairperson.

Min.No.2655

Matters arising from the previous meeting held on the 5th February 2014

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting held on 5th February 2014 other than:

Minute No 2645 Planning Matters
The Council did agree to formally object to the 2 applications from Electricity Supply Nominees Ltd. in respect of Pets at Home at the Arnison Centre on the grounds of increased traffic and parking.

Min.No.2656

Minute No 2650 Durham Indoor Bowling Association Ltd.
Following the receipt of and consideration of the previous 3 years accounts, it was agreed to refer the request for a donation to the special meeting on 20th March 2014.

Min.No.2657

New Web Site

The Chairperson welcomed Maureen Storey from Daykin and Storey who gave a brief presentation to the meeting on their proposal for a website for the Council. Following careful consideration the Council agreed to accept the proposal and quotation to create the website in the sum of £2115.00 together with monthly hosting and maintenance costs of £86.00

Min. No.2658

Public Matters

There were no members of the public present at the meeting therefore there were no items submitted for consideration.

Min.No.2659

Members Matters

The following were raised by members as reportable items for referral to the responsible organisations :-

- There are two gulleys which are located at the Youth and Community Centre which require unblocking.
- An outstanding issue in relation to a valuation of the land at Newcastle Terrace was to be followed up.
- A query was raised on the latest position with regards to the car parking position at St Cuthbert's Avenue.
- A fencing problem, near the Durham memorial, would be reported expressing a view that it be replaced with a metal one.
- In the region of the Underpass (Bridge) from Lidl to Arnison there are some drains which are full of rubbish.

Min.No.2660

Report from Unitary County Councillors

The Chairperson welcomed County Councillor Hopgood to the meeting who gave a report which included the following issues:-

- The position with regard to parking proposals at St Cuthberts Avenue.
- Parking restrictions in Beech Road.
- A parking bay in Priory Road.
- Possible development of a Play area in the Brasside area with the Parish Council being requested to be responsible for the maintenance costs.

The Chairperson thanked County Councillor Hopgood for her attendance and report.

Min.No.2661

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 3rd February 2014**
There were no applications from this list
2. **List dated 10th February 2014**
There were no applications from this list
3. **List dated 17th February 2014**

<u>App. Number</u>	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Case Officer	Decision Level
<u>DM/14/00078/FPA</u>	Electricity Supply Nominees Ltd	Former Comet Unit Mercia Retail Park Arnison Centre Pity Me Durham DH1 5GF	Temporary Change of Use of Part Retail Unit (A1) to Pet Care and Treatment Facility (Sui Generis)	Allan Fenwick	Delegated

4. **List dated 24th February 2014**

<u>App. Number</u>	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Case Officer	Decision Level
<u>DM/14/00146/TPO</u>	Mrs Longstaff	28 The Orchard Pity Me Durham DH1 5DA	Crown thin lime tree.	Michelle Hurton	Delegated
<u>DM/14/00165/FPA</u>	Dr A Ahmed	Durham Moor House Dryburn Park Framwellgate Moor Durham DH1 5AF	Erection of two storey pitched roof extension to side of existing dwelling	Stephen Potter	Delegated
<u>DM/14/00169/FPA</u>	Mr Brown	24 Durham Moor Crescent Framwellgate Moor Durham DH1 5AW	Erection of two storey pitched roof extension to side and single storey pitched roof extension to rear of existing dwelling	Stephen Potter	Delegated

In relation to Application No. DM/14/00078/FPA at the ARNISON Centre, the Council agreed to object on the basis of the adverse effect on increased traffic and parking.

In addition, in relation to the two previous applications from Electricity Supply Nominees, considered at last monthly meeting, the Council agreed to write to Durham County Council expressing its disappointment that our objection was not included in the report papers for these applications.

Min.No.2662

b Other Correspondence

(i) Requests for Donations

The Council considered 4 requests from the Durham County Brass Band Association, The Butterwick House Childrens Hospice, The Toma Fund and finally the Durham Coronary Support Group. Following consideration of all 4 applications it was agreed to donate £100.00 to Durham Coronary Support Group with the other applications being received

Min.No.2663

(ii) Verbal Update

New Signatories for Bank Account

The Council agreed to add Councillors Gates and Blenkinsop to the persons authorised to sign cheques etc for all the Councils bank accounts.

Min.No.2664

One Off Projects

This would be referred for discussion in detail at a special meeting of the Council later this month.

Min.No.2665

General Environment in Durham

Following a discussion on the above it was agreed to relay our concerns about the general state of the Durham area and its perception by organisations who may be considering investing in the area.

Min.No.2666

Finance / Governance Reports

a) Accounts for Payment / Approval of Expenditure for 2013-2014

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:

60. Ladders UK Direct	
- 2 no. six tread Ladders	£150.43(includes VAT)
61. BiGDUG Ltd	
- 2 no. Lockers	£273.60(includes VAT)
62. Durham County Pension Fund	
- Pension contributions for Feb 2014	£244.32
63. Northumbrian Water	
- Water / Sewerage Charges for Nov 13 – Feb 14	£215.27
64. Durham Coronary Support Group	
- Donation	£100.00
TOTAL	<u>£983.62</u>

Min.No.2667

b) 3rd Financial Budget Monitor for 2013 – 2014

The Council considered a detailed report covering Revenue, Capital and Reserves which outlined a position of being within budget with estimated reserves at the end of March 2014 in the region of £40,000.00. The report was accepted by the Council.

Min.No.2668

Date of Next Meetings

These were agreed as

Thursday 20th March 2014 at 6.30pm

Wednesday 2nd April 2014 at 6.30pm.

The meeting concluded at 8.00pm

Signed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date