

# Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 6pm, Bayard Room, East Bedlington Community Centre

# Present:

**Councillors** Andy Allman Eddie Dickson Allan Douglas David Graham Keith Grimes Allan Stewart (Vice Chair) Alex Wallace (Chair**)** 

#### In attendance:

Parish Clerk, Assistant Parish Clerk and 5 members of the public.

# **Open Session**

A resident advised that he had made contact with Network Rail with regards to cleaning of the track. In his opinion, the problem needed to be tackled from a resident, school, Network Rail and Parish partnership. He questioned whether the parish would agree with that synopsis. The Chairman responded in agreement and asked the parish are kept informed of any response.

# CO155/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Derek Burton (work commitments) Councillor Lynda Mason (work commitments, Councillor Joe Dobie, Councillor Nichola Hogarth (work commitments)

# RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted

# CO156/16 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

#### **RESOLVED**:

That the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March be signed as a true record.

- CO157/16 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES There were no matters arising
- CO158/16 DISCLOSURE OF INTERSTS & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION Councillor Steward declared and interest in agenda item 11 ref 17/00912

# CO159/16 POLICE REPORT

No report submitted

# CO160/16 CORRESPONDENCE

(I) With reference to 1066 the Chairman thanked Bedlington Forum for their kind words.

#### **RESOLVED:**

# That the correspondence be noted.

# CO161/16 CLERKS REPORT

- (I) It was confirmed that the replacement bus shelters had now all been installed.
- (II) The Youth Parish Council along with pupils from Bedlington Community High School, supported by Councillor Allman, have planted up the flower tubs in the Station area of the parish.
- (III) Notification had been received from Banks Group that the funding towards the Cambois Links Play area had now been released.
- (IV) Allotment rent notices have been sent out.
- (V) A date had been set with the Internal Auditor John Ainsworth for inspection of the parish accounts.

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the Clerks report be noted.

# CO162/16 INVOICE & PAYMENT VOUCHERS

PAYMENT REFERENCE	DETAILS	AMOUNT £
V153	Browell Smith	777.20
DD	BT	85.44
V154	Keenleysides	5.36
V155	R Thornton	38.40
V156	ABS	72.49
V157	UK Office Direct	142.79
V157	UK Office Direct	200.39
V158	Northumberland County Council	1646.22
V159	Total Business Group	23.54
V160	Bank Charges	13.60
V161	BT	43.20
V162	Signs Express	268.63
V163	Northumberland County Council - payroll March	6393.47

**RESOLVED:** That the schedule of invoices and payments be approved

#### CO163/16 FINANCIAL POSITION / BANK RECONCILLIATION

RESOLVED: That the Council approved the bank reconciliation and notes the cleared balance at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 £115,313.69

CO164/16 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

# RESOLVED:

That the Council note the budget monitoring report

- CO165/16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS RESOLVED:
  - (i) 17/00912/FUL– that the council have no objections based on the information received
  - (ii) 17/00507/FUL that the council note the determination notice.

# CO166/16 MATTERS FOR DECISION

#### **RESOLVED:**

- (i) That the Council defers consideration of financial support to the Finance & General Purposes working group.
- (ii) That the Council defer taking up an advertisement in the North Blyth Newsletter and refer to the Communications working group

#### CO167/16 WORKING GROUPS

There had been no working group meetings.

# CO168/16 OUTSIDE BODIES

- 14.1 East Bedlington Community Centre report circulated
- 14.2 Parish & Town Council Liaison Working Group The Chairman gave a verbal report.

# **RESOLVED**:

That the reports from delegates be noted.

# CO169/16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other urgent business

# DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of East Bedlington Parish Council will be the Annual Assembly to be held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm, Platform 1, East Bedlington Community Centre.