

# EAST BEDLINGTON

## Parish Council



**Minutes of the East Bedlington Parish Meeting,  
held on Tuesday 3 April 2018, at East Bedlington Community Centre.**

### **Present:**

Councillor Andy Allman  
Councillor Steve Aynsley  
Councillor John Batey  
Councillor Keith Grimes  
Councillor Paul Hedley  
Councillor Allan Stewart  
Councillor Mike Trimming  
Councillor Alex Wallace

### **In attendance:**

Ron Thornton (Clerk), Jenny Tindale (Assistant Clerk) County Councillor Bill Crosby, County Councillor Russ Wallace and 6 members of the public.

Open Session

There were no questions raised in the open session.

### **CO1/18**

#### **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were noted from Allan Douglas, Jane Greensitt (illness) Councillor Lynda Mason (work commitments)

#### **Resolved:**

**That the apologies be accepted.**

### **CO2/18**

#### **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

#### **Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting on Friday 23 March 2018 be signed as a true record.**

### **CO3/18**

#### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Jakes Bar – The assistant clerk responded to a question from Councillor Batey. She confirmed that the signage had been removed and that the concerns raised by the Parish Council had been acknowledged. The Enforcement officer has

requested a schedule of works and continues to monitor and update. A request has also been made regarding an update on the enforcement details regarding 6 & 7 Glassey Terrace.

**CO4/18 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**

There were no disclosures of interests or requests for dispensation.

**CO5/18 POLICE REPORT**

No report submitted

**CO6/18 NCC COUNCILLOR REPORT**

No written or verbal reports submitted.

**CO7/18 CORRESPONDENCE**

Councillor Stewart requested further information in relation to 337. It was reported that a resident of Moorland Villas had lodged a complaint that she had not been consulted with regards to proposals put forward by another resident to replace grass verges with hard standings. The resident wished to formally record her objection to said proposals. Councillor Stewart having enlightened colleagues with background information, advised the he would contact NCC Highways to find a solution agreeable to all.

**RESOLVED:**

**That the correspondence be noted.**

**CO8/18 CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk reported that:

- (i) Planned additional grass cutting had taken place however, there was significant damage caused by vehicle parking at St John's. He commented that the same area had not been edged and that he would be raising this with Neighbourhood Services.
- (ii) He had arranged for Blyth Star Enterprises to plant up the hanging baskets.
- (iii) An order has been placed for new planters with Amberol and that signage had been sourced from another supplier at a much-reduced cost.
- (iv) The Internal Audit dates had been arranged for 25 & 30 April 2018
- (v) Representatives from the Schalksmuhle Society had indicated that they were minded taking up the Parish Council's offer of a Civic reception, buffet and entertainment.
- (vi) The web site and domain created for the Bedlington Engine & Iron Works had expired and that he has paid the £75 renewal fee.
- (vii) As instructed, he has contacted Choppington Parish Council and awaited a response.

- (viii) The flooding problems at Cambois Allotment site have worsened and there was a need for some form of drainage.

**RESOLVED:**

- (i) That provision of drainage be an agenda item for the Allotment & Environment Working Group  
(ii) That the Clerks Report be noted.

**C09/18 RECEIPTS & PAYMENT VOUCHERS**

**RESOLVED:**

That the schedule of receipts and payments be approved.

**C010/18 FINANCIAL POSITION**

**RESOLVED:**

That the cleared balance of £185,857.31 as of 28 March 18 be noted.

**C011/18 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT**

The clerk reported that the projected outturn was as previously reported. He added that he may need to make a provision in the accounts for accrued loan interest but would be seeking clarification from the External Auditors before doing so.

**RESOLVED:**

That the Budget Monitoring report be approved.

**C012/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**RESOLVED:**

- (i) That the Council note the determinations  
(ii) That the Council supports application 18/00712/FUL  
(iii)

**C013/18 MATTERS FOR DECISION**

**RESOLVED:**

That there be no matters for decision

**C014/18 SMALL GRANTS & DONATIONS**

14.1 Your Sea Trash Free

**RESOLVED:**

- (i) That the Council approves a grant of £200.  
(ii) That the Council offers to purchase the items on behalf of the group.

**CO15/18 WORKING GROUPS**

**RESOLVED:**

**To accept the minutes and recommendations of the Communities & Communications working group of 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018.**

**CO16/18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**16.1** Councillor Allman confirmed that Bedlington Community High School has now converted and will be known as Bedlington Academy part of the North East Learning Trust.

**RESOLVED:**

**That the conversion be noted.**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Annual Assembly, Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018, 6pm, Platform 1, East Bedlington Community Centre.**

Signed as a true record

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Chairman

Date: .....