BRANDON AND BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS 6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM ON FRIDAY 21ST JUNE 2019 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT
Councillor Mrs S Nelson (in the Chair)
and Councillors Bell, Mrs Bonner, Bonner, Grantham, Jamieson, Nelson, Rippin, Sims, Spencer, Stoddart, Turnbull, Walter and Mrs Wharton

32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of interest were received from:

Cllr Turnbull – Item number 7 – Brandon Carrside
Cllr Turnbull – Item number 15d – Brandon Primary School
Cllr Bell – Item number 15c – New Brancepeth Village Hall

RESOLVED: To receive the declarations of interest.

33. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no questions from the public in the specified time.

34. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Catterson, Mrs Chaplow, Clegg, Mrs Gates, Hindmarch, Mrs Leckenby and Mrs Rodgers

RESOLVED: To receive the apologies.

35. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17TH MAY 2019

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2019 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

36. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 5TH JUNE 2018

RESOLVED: That the minutes be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

37. PRESENTATION OF DONATIONS

The Chairman presented donations to the following:-

Lourdes Pilgrimage (Hexham and Newcastle Diocesan)
Bearpark and Esh Colliery Band

38. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 5TH JUNE 2019

RESOLVED: That the minutes be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

39. REPORT FROM BRANDON CARRSIDE YOUTH & COMMUNITY PROJECT

A report had not been received from the above.

40. REPORT FROM UNITARY COUNCILLORS

The Unitary Councillors reported on the following:

- Durham County Council have put in a bid through the North East Joint Transport Committee to the Governments Transforming Cities funding pot for schemes that encourage sustainable travel.
- Durham Historic Centre Consultation- Residents are being invited to give their views on designs for a new history centre for County Durham. A six week public consultation the plans which will bring together archive, heritage and registration services for the county began on Wednesday 19th June. The Durham County Council-run centre will be based in the Grade 2 listed Mount Oswalds Manor.
- Council agreed that the Pre-Submission Draft County Durham Plan be submitted to the Minster for Housing, Communities and Local Government for an independent examination and an independent Inspector be appointed.

RESOLVED: To receive the report.

41. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING –APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Extracts from planning application lists had been forwarded to the appropriate Ward Councillors.

DM/19/00873/FPA	Mr Vince Thompson	Erection of balcony to rear elevation Brook Barn, Stonebridge, Durham DH1 3RX
DM/19/01027/FPA	Mr Geoff Pollard	Rear single storey extension 21 Weatherhill Way, Browney, Durham DH7 8LJ
DM/19/01366/FPA	Mrs Hannah Dexter	Erection of Nursery School Building and use of garden area for related educational purposes. Yew Tree House, New Brancepeth, Durham, DH7 7EZ
DM/19/01716/FPA	Mr Ronald Walton	Single storey extension to the rear and single storey extension to the front 53 Osprey Close, Esh Winning, Durham, DH7 9JP
DM/19/01726/FPA	Mrs Karen Cooper	Proposed Veranda to be

		constructed to the rear elevation of a detached house 26 West Farm Court, Broompark, Durham, DH7 7RN
DM/19/01894/FPA	Mr Osman Mahmoud	New shop front entrance Billy Joes, Manchester House, 35 Commercial Street, Brandon, Durham, DH7 8PL
DM/19/01919/FPA	C/o Agent	Fence 1m to 2.5m in height to side and 2.5m high fence to rear. 1 Holliday Close, Langley Moor, Durham, DH7 8JQ

RESOLVED: To receive the planning applications

42. APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF IT SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR 2019/20 & N-CENTRAL REMOTE ACCESS

The above contract is due for renewal at an annual cost of £341.76. The subscription for N-Central Remote access price is also due for renewal at a total cost of £60 for the year.

RESOLVED: To authorise renewal of both subscriptions

43. POST OFFICE LANGLEY MOOR – PROPOSAL TO MOVE POST OFFICE TO NEW LOCATION

A local public consultation had been received, with comments to be received by 5th July 2019. The proposal is to move the Post Office from 29 High Street North to a new location Premier Langley Moor Convenience Store, 21 High Street, Langley Moor.

RESOLVED: To receive the information.

44. APPROVAL OF INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT AND SECTIONS 1 & 2 ON THE ANNUAL RETURN FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2019

The Internal Auditor's report and sections 1 and 2 on the Annual Return for 2018/19 was presented to Council for approval.

RESOLVED: To note completion of the Internal Auditor's report and to approve Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Return.

45. NEW BRANCEPETH – CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

A request from Councillor Bell had been received which was for the Parish Council to pay for Insurance and maintenance costs for the new Christmas tree in New Brancepeth.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council agreed to pay for the Insurance and maintenance costs for the new Christmas tree in New Brancepeth.

46. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

a) Friends of Addison Park

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To donate £300 in this instance (£150 each Brandon and Meadowfield wards)

b) Esh Winning Football Club

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To write to the Football Club enquiring if the money in the bank is allocated for any future projects.

c) New Parent and Toddler Group in New Brancepeth

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To donate £200 in this instance (New Brancepeth)

d) Brandon Primary

Ratification of the £250 donation towards a climbing wall.

RESOLVED: To approve ratification of payment to Brandon Primary School.

e) St Patrick's Social Committee

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To donate £300 in this instance (£100 Brandon, £50 Meadowfield & £150 Langley Moor)

f) Haswell & District Mencap

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED:- To receive the request.

g) Open Spaces Society

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To receive the request.

h) Mayor's Appeal

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To donate £600 in this instance (£100 each ward)

i) **Brandon Boxing Club**

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To donate £300 in this instance (£200 Brandon and £100 Meadowfield) : To ask the Club if the Parish Council's Chairman could be invited to the Club's presentation evening.

47. NEW SIGNS FOR ST JOHN'S HALL, MEADOWFIELD AND BRANDON BOXING CLUB

Councillor Turnbull had requested the Parish Council adopts the new signs and maintenance for the signs for St John's Hall, Meadowfield and Brandon Boxing Club.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council agrees to adopt the new signs and maintenance for the signs for St John's Hall, Meadowfield and Brandon Boxing Club.

48. DISCUSSION REGARDING S106 MONEY

Councillor Stoddart had requested this item be discussed. Ushaw Moor ward would like to obtain from S106 money a miners tub for Broompark, the Roundy painted black plus a mural (of a miner) onto the Roundy.

RESOLVED: To agree to progress with the application.

49. USHAW MOOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

A quotation had been received from Durham County Council for the dressing and undressing of the Christmas Tree in Ushaw Moor. Cost - £771.18

RESOLVED: To agree and accept the quotation from Durham County Council.

50. PROPOSED BELMONT TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER AMENDMENT

Information had been received regarding the proposed amendment of the Belmont Park and Ride Access Road.

RESOLVED: To agree to the proposals

51. PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER FOR ESH WINNING

Information had been received regarding the proposed traffic regulation order for Esh winning.

RESOLVED: To agree to the proposals.

52. LAND ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF BROWNEY LANE, BROWNEY (REAR OF FREDERICK STREET SOUTH) – NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION BASED ON ADVERSE POSSESSION

An application had been received by the Land Registry, that an applicant is applying for land on the South West Side of Browney Lane based on adverse possession.

RESOLVED: To oppose the application.

53. PARISH COUNCIL ALARM – KEY-HOLDING AND RESPONSE SERVICE – UPDATE

The Clerk explained to the meeting,that as residents had recently complained about the alarm going off intermittently the quotation had been received for the key holding and response service. Since making further enquiries the Parish Council were notified that there was no communicator on the system, which was required – cost £280.

RESOLVED: To make enquiries to the Alarm Company to see if a timer, which shuts down the alarm could be purchased and the cost.

54. CIVIC FUNCTIONS

Approval was requested for the Chairman or Vice Chairman to attend the following functions:

St Patrick's Social Committee	Summer Party	15.6.19
Sunderland C.C.	Armed Forces Day	28.6.19
Sunderland C.C.	Charity Quiz	3.7.19
Shildon T.C.	Mayor at Home	5.7.19
Sunderland C.C.	Sunday Service	7.7.19

RESOLVED: To approve attendance at the above functions, by the Chairman or Vice Chairman.

55. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Authorisation was requested to pay accounts amounting to £20,213.45

RESOLVED: To authorise payment of the accounts

56. QUARTERLY ALLOTMENT REPORT FOR APPROVAL

The quarterly allotment report was presented to Council for approval

RESOLVED: To approve the quarterly allotment report.

57. REPORT OF CLERK

The Clerk presented a report to Council for information. The following issues arose:

- **President and Vice President Elections for County Association**

  The Parish Council was invited to re-nominate the existing post holders.

  RESOLVED: To make the following re-nominations:-

  President - G Morris MP

  Vice President - D Bell (Brandon & Byshottles)
  R Harrison (Sacriston)
  A Blackmore (Sedgefield)

  Honorary Treasurer - A Blakemore (Sedgefield)

  Honorary Audit - D Austin (Great Aycliffe T.C Accountant)

- **Durham Community Action**

  An invitation had been received from the above to attend 'Meet the Funders' on Tuesday 16th July 2019, from 10am-1pm, in Spennymoor Town Hall.

  RESOLVED: To book 2 places on the above event.

- **Browney Public Meeting**

  A meeting was held on 30th May 2019, with residents from Browney & Meadowfield, also in attendance were Parish Council Ward Members and Unitary Councillors.

  RESOLVED: To look at planters etc for the area.

58. The following item was discussed in private:

Recommendations from Personnel Committee held on Wednesday 5th June 2019.

RESOLVED:- To agree to the recommendations made by the Personnel Committee.

The Chairman agreed to include the following item as it would be too late to discuss at the July meeting.

59. RUSHYFIELDS CARE CENTRE

An invitation had been received from the above to an Open Day on Friday 28th June 2019, 10am - 4.30pm.

RESOLVED: That anyone wishing to attend do so.

The meeting closed at 7.10pm

Signed Anne Bowe

Date 19/7/19