

West Auckland Parish Council

Minutes of Annual General/Public Meeting held Tuesday, 13th May 2024 at 7.00 pm,
Parish Community Room, Monteith Close, West Auckland

Present: Cllr G Smith, Chairman
Cllr E Farrer, Deputy Chairman
Cllr K Bolton
Cllr J Curl
Cllr T Horsman
Cllr M Roberts
Cllr W Robinson
Cllr N Simpson
Cllr C Smith

7.00 pm **Annual Public Meeting** – Chairman’s Report

The Chairman’s report was provided as part of the Annual Report.

A resident attended to raise concerns about anti-social behavior at Station View. Cllr Smith advised that he is having meetings with the police about a number of issues on that street and the Parish Council, although they have limited authority, will support residents in any way they can.

7.30 pm Annual General Meeting Agenda - (to immediately follow Annual Public Meeting)

24.41 Election Of Chair and signed Acceptance Of Office & Code Of Conduct for the coming year.

Cllr George Smith was nominated and agreed to remain as Chairman for the coming year.

24.42 Parish Councillors to sign Acceptance Of Office & Code Of Conduct.

All Parish Councillors present signed their Acceptance as required.

24.43 Election of Vice-Chair

Cllr Ed Farrer was nominated and accepted the position of vice-Chairman for the coming year.

24.44 To agree Annual Subscriptions

It was resolved that the following subscriptions will continue to be paid.

- Ordnance Survey
- Stockton Darlington Railway
- County Durham Association of Local Clerks (CDALC)
- Information Commissioners Office (ICO)

24.45 To accept apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr L Adamson and Cllr H Stott.

24.46 To confirm minutes of meeting held Monday, 8th April 2024

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed accordingly.

24.47 Clerks' Correspondence

- Further to a request from Copeland Road school to support with a school trip, it was resolved that the Parish Council will pay the £750 for the bus.
- The Clerk passed on thanks from Ferryhill Town Band , Gillian - Book Festival and the Memorial Hall Committee for the funding support from the Parish Council.
- It was advised that two boulders at the rear of the Spar have been demolished at the police's request to discourage youths congregating in the area.

24.48 To review/amend Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Risk Assessments, Asset Register & GDPR

It was resolved no updates are required to the above.

24.49 To consider adoption of Power of Competence for the coming year and agree/update the Statement of Intent

The Power of Competence and Statement of Intent were adopted.

24.50 To receive any items for Monday, 10th June 2024 meeting

- To consider replacing blind daffodils.
- To arrange a walk around with Tony Johnston/Joe Merone.