

Minutes of Meeting held Monday, 14th January 2013 at 7.00 pm,
Parish Community Room, Monteith Close, West Auckland

Present: Cllr Charlton, Chairperson
Cllr J Bell
Cllr J Ferguson
Cllr C CMairs
Cllr L Rielly
Cllr M Roberts
Cllr W Robinson

13.01 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr V Raine, Cllr Ed Farrer & Cllr A Turner.

13.02 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

No expressions of interest were received.

13.03 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were agreed to be a true account of the previous meeting and signed accordingly.

13.04 TO INVITE ANY COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

13.05 CLERK'S TABLING OF CORRESPONDENCE/ENDORISING INVOICE CHEQUES.

CHEQUE NO	DETAILS	AMOUNT	PREVIOUSLY AGREED
100415	Cre8ive Graphics Winter Newsletter	£60.00	Y
100416	Flowers for funeral and 65 th wedding anniversary	£70.40	Y
100417	Hampers for elderly residents' home	£143.00	Y
100518	Barry Storey Grit for bins	£504.00	Y

The Clerk tabled all correspondence received and cheques were endorsed for invoices as detailed above.

13.06 TO RECEIVE FINANCE WORKING GROUP UPDATE.

i. To consider proposed bus shelter, Copeland Road

As the consultation questionnaires have not been sent to local residents by DCC, the Clerk was asked to request that DCC advise whether there are any objections to the proposed bus shelter. ACTION: Clerk to write to Keith Jamieson.

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ii. To consider public announcement system

It was agreed that prices should be obtained before a decision can be made to purchase a PA system to support the Memorial Service and any other event the PC may run in future. Cllr Ferguson to obtain prices.

13.07 TO RECEIVE ENVIRONMENT/PLANNING WORKING GROUP UPDATE.

i To receive update on football monument

Cllr Turner was not in attendance to provide an update on this. Cllr Charlton suggested that any flag stones not needed be kept for recycling at the picnic table site; Cllr Roberts agreed to

As Cllr Yorke has not attended following a recent request it was suggested that he be invited to a future meeting. ACTION: Clerk to invite.

ii To consider allotment fencing

Due to holidays and other commitments the clerk has not yet contacted 2D regarding potential support with funding applications for replacement allotment fencing.; she agreed to contact them as soon as possible. Cllr Roberts agreed to provide a draft planting scheme for the allotment area and also the Nursery area.

iii To request Westlife articles

Cllr Roberts suggested some articles and agreed to write an article on the forthcoming elections. It was suggested that everyone contribute an article for the next Westlife. Cllr Rielly agreed to produce an article about the litter from premises providing fast food, etc.

iv To discuss dog fouling problems

Cllr Mairs suggested that the Parish Council provide bags and provide some education and include an article in Westlife emphasizing that the Parish Councillors require the support of residents. It was agreed to make enquiries about the cost of bags and include a “We need you” campaign in the next Westlife. ACTION: Clerk to make enquiries about costs and advertising materials already available. Clerk to draft an article.

It was suggested that the street warden manager be included and asked for advice on delivering the campaign.

v To consider improving communication with DCC

It was suggested that the Parish Council contact Steve Ragg to request the best way of obtaining a ‘useful contacts’ lists. ACTION: Clerk to contact Steve Ragg

vi To consider book lending library

Various options were considered and it was agreed that a lending library be introduced. The current office will be cleaned up and shelves sited to accommodate books. ACTION: Cllr Roberts agreed to measure and purchase suitable shelving.

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13.08 TO RECEIVE ITEMS FOR THE 11TH FEBRUARY 2013 MEETING

- Monteith Close - Invite Ross Cowling to next meeting.
- The Nursery & Fleece land
- Westlife articles
- Christmas tree and replacement lights
- Oakley Beck car park
- Quotes for Oakley Green mounds
- Salt bins

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