

TRIMDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the January Meeting of **Trimdon Parish Council** held in **Trimdon Grange Community Centre** on **Tuesday 10 February 2015** at 7:00pm.

Present: Councillor John Burton (in the Chair) and Councillors Sheila Appleton, Eileen Dickinson, Bernadette Oliver, George Elliott, George Elliott Snr., Ian Quinn, and Paul Trippett.

Les Oliver (former Parish Clerk) was in attendance to record the minutes; County Councillor Peter Brookes was in attendance to report on Durham County Council issues and Sergeant Alex Clarke, Durham Constabulary, was in attendance for part of the meeting.

105. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

Resolved that the above be noted.

106. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Denise Davison, Margaret Elliot, Julie Thompson, Keith Thompson and Margaret Hughes.

Resolved that the above apologies be accepted.

107. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was one member of the public in attendance.

108. POLICING IN THE PARISH

PC John Seymour, Durham Constabulary, attended the meeting and reported the crime figures for the period 13 January 2015 – 10 February 2015

TRIMDON VILLAGE

No reported crime

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

TRIMDON VILLAGE

All ASB 104 incidences (up 20% on 2014)
Youth ASB 54 incidences (up 29% on 2014)

TRIMDON GRANGE/COLLIERY

Burglary (dwelling) – 1 incident
Burglary (other) – 1 incident
Vehicle Crime – 1 incident
Criminal Damage – 1 incident
Assault – 1 incident

TRIMDON GRANGE/COLLIERY

All ASB 69 incidences (up 5% on 2014)
Youth ASB 25 incidences (up 108% on 2014)

Resolved that the above report be noted.

Sergeant Clarke was thanked for his attendance and left the meeting.

109. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2015

Resolved that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 13 January 2015 (previously circulated) be accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

110. UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF RESOLUTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON 13 JANUARY 2015

There were no updates reported.

111. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications for consideration.

112. FINANCIAL

a) Details of expenditure requiring payment by cheque were submitted.

Resolved that the payments be approved.

b) The Clerk submitted the schedule of payments made between 1 January 2015 and 31 January 2015

Resolved that the schedule of payments be approved.

c) The Clerk submitted the schedule of receipts received between 1 January 2015 and 31 January 2015.

Resolved that the schedule of receipts be approved.

d) The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliation statement (Instant Access Account) for the period ended 31 January 2015.. This was cross referenced with the Bank Statement.

Resolved that the bank reconciliation statement (Instant Access Account) be approved and the Chairman sign the Bank Statement as confirmation of the balance.

e) The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliation statement (Current Bank Account) for the period ended 31 January 2015. This was cross referenced with the Bank Statement.

Resolved that the bank reconciliation statement (Current Bank Account) be approved and the Chairman sign the Bank Statement as confirmation of the balance.

113. CLERK'S REPORTS

a) Report on Trimdon Village Allotment Site, Hart View: Temporary Depot for livin contractors

It was reported that, following a request from livin, a site visit was undertaken by the Chairman and Clerk, together with representatives from livin and Mears and it was agreed that Mears be allowed to use the land at the entrance to the Allotment Site as a temporary compound whilst they carry out works to properties in Trimdon Village. This will be until the end of March 2015 and at a weekly charge of £50.

Resolved that the above be noted.

- b) Request for bollards to be removed, Grosvenor Terrace, Trimdon Colliery

A request has been received from the owner of No. 17 Grosvenor Terrace for the concrete bollards on the grassed area to the rear of his property to be removed as vehicles are damaging his rear wall whilst trying avoid the bollards.

Resolved that the bollards be removed.

- c) Report on Requests for Additional Street Lighting

A report by the Clerk was submitted following requests from a number of residents for additional street lighting to be installed.

Resolved that a Sub-Group be established to look at areas requiring additional street lighting across the parish.

114. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) Trimdon Grange Community Centre Application for Member 2015 – attached with minutes.

Resolved that the above be noted.

- b) Quotation from CE & CM Walker

A quotation has been received from CE & CM Walker for the grass-cutting for the Summer 2015 season.

Resolved that the quotation be accepted.

- c) County of Durham School Benevolent Fund

A request has been received from the County of Durham School Benevolent Fund for a donation towards the provision of shoes and winter coats for children.

Resolved that a donation of £200 be granted under the Local Government Act 1972 s.137

115. COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATE

- DCC Budget Meeting scheduled for March – cuts of £138M required
- Fly tipping – covert cameras available for purchase. Oliver Sherratt, DCC, to be invited to a future meeting to discuss how the Parish Council could assist
- 2nd phase of cycle path almost complete
- DCC Annual Labour Group meeting 9 March 2015 – Councillor Brookes currently Chair of Parent Panel
- Meeting to be arranged with Groundwork Trust to discuss projects – Paul Trippett suggested to look at completing footpath on Horseclose Lane between Trimdon Village and Trimdon Colliery

116. COUNCILLOR MATTERS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- Confirmation received from Durham County Council that the Parish Council's request to have Trimdon Village Library listed as an Asset of Community Value under the Localism Act 2011 has been approved
- Parking at Lower Hogg Street, Trimdon Colliery still requires attention