

TRIMDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of **Trimdon Parish Council** held in **Trimdon Grange Community Centre** on **Tuesday 12 May 2015** at 7:00pm.

Present: Councillor John Burton (in the Chair) and Councillors Sheila Appleton, Denise Davison, Eileen Dickinson, Margaret Hughes, Bernadette Oliver, George Elliott Snr., Ian Quinn, Keith Thompson, Julie Thompson and Paul Trippett.

Anne Delandre (Clerk to the Council) was in attendance to record the minutes and County Councillor Peter Brookes was in attendance to report on Durham County Council issues.

7. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

Resolved that the above be noted.

8. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from George Elliott and Margaret Elliott.

Resolved that the above apologies be accepted.

9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was one member of the public in attendance.

Resolved that the above be noted.

10. POLICING IN THE PARISH

Sergeant Alex Clarke, Durham Constabulary was unable to attend the meeting. The crime figures for the period 14 April 2015 – 12 May 2015 were reported by the Clerk.

TRIMDON VILLAGE

Criminal Damage – 3 incidences

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

TRIMDON VILLAGE

All ASB 18 incidences (up 50% on 2014)

Youth ASB 8 incidences (down 25% on 2014)

TRIMDON GRANGE/COLLIERY

Burglary (other) – 2 incidences
Theft from Motor Vehicle – 1 incident

TRIMDON GRANGE/COLLIERY

All ASB 6 incidences (down 14% on 2014)

Youth ASB – no incidences

Resolved that the above report be noted.

11. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 14 APRIL 2015

Resolved that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14 April 2015 (previously circulated) be accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

12. UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF RESOLUTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON 14 APRIL 2015

The Clerk advised that DCC has confirmed that the footpath at the top of the Watch Bank (Items 141 refers) is un-adopted. It was suggested that the owner of the footpath be approached to see if she would be prepared to transfer ownership to the Parish Council in order that improvements can be made.

Resolved That the Clerk approach the current owner regarding the transfer of ownership of the footpath.

13. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DM/15/01124/COL	Parkwood Horse Close Lane Trimdon Village	Certificate of lawful proposed use as a care Facility under Use Class C3
DM/15/01322/FPA	58 Front Street North Trimdon Village	Erection of two storey rear extension and replacement detached garage

Resolved that no comment be offered in respect of planning application DM/15/01322/FPA. Further information be obtained regarding DM/15/01124/COL and the Clerk be instructed to respond following consultation with the Chairman.

14. 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 April 2015 and 30 April 2015.

Resolved that the schedule of payments be approved.

c) The Clerk submitted the schedule of receipts received between 1 April 2015 and 30 April 2015.

Resolved that the schedule of receipts be approved.

d) The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliation statement (Instant Access Account) for the period ended 30 April 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 30 April 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.

- f) The Clerk advised that the bids had been invited for the purchase of the surplus Ride-On Mower. A bid of £100 had been received.

Resolved that the bid of £100 be accepted.

15. CLERK'S REPORTS

- a) The Clerk submitted a report requesting approval of a Risk Management Policy which details the potential risks facing Trimdon Parish Council together with the measures currently in place to ensure that, wherever possible, the impact of the risk is controlled.

Resolved that the Risk Management Policy be approved.

16. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) The Clerk advised that a request has been received from Sedgwick Associates requesting the Parish Council to support a proposed planning application for the erection of up to 138 dwellings, a health centre and provision of public open space at land off Hurworth Barn Road

Resolved that the Clerk requests a meeting with Sedgwick Associates to discuss the proposed planning application in more detail.

- b) Public Appointment Veterans Advisory and Pensions Committee – there are currently a number of vacancies to join the Veterans Advisory and Pensions Committee.

Resolved that the above be noted.

- c) The Clerk reported that a letter of thanks has been received from Trimdon Concert Brass Band for the recent grant.

Resolved that the above be noted.

- d) County Durham Association of Local Councils (CDALC) April 2015 Newsletter had been circulated for information.

Resolved that the above be noted.

17. PRESENTATION BY TONY DEVOS, LIMESTONE LANDSCAPES: PROPOSED VILLAGE ATLAS FOR THE TRIMDONS

Tony Devos attended the meeting and discussed the proposal by Limestone Landscapes to submit a bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund to carry out a project to produce a Village Atlas for the Trimdons. The Parish Council is asked to support the Stage 1 application that needs to be submitted by 3 June 2015.

Resolved that the Parish Council supports the Stage 1 application to the Heritage Lottery Fund by Limestone Landscapes.

18. COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATE

- The timetable for the revised Garden Waste Scheme had been running behind but was now progressing well
- Following the result of the recent General Election DCC Labour Group is meeting to discuss further savings to the budget
- A Brass Festival is scheduled to be held at Trimdon Community College on 15 July
- A Family Fun Day will be held at Trimdon Community College on Monday 25 May
- The Food Festival had proved to be a great success
- The final bill for the floor repairs at Trimdon Village Hall was £560
- DCC Chairman (Jan Blakey) has announced Autism NE as her chosen charity. Peter Brookes will be undertaking a sponsored Bike Ride on 20 June

19.COUNCILLOR MATTERS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- Keith Thompson commented on the levels of rubbish in hedgerows throughout the parish. It was suggested that the Parish Council may be able to arrange a Litter Pick.

Resolved that the Clerk contacts Durham County Council for advice and guidance regarding an organised Litter Pick.

SIGNED AS A TRUE RECORD

DATE