

TRIMDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of **Trimdon Parish Council** held in **Trimdon Grange Community Centre** on **Tuesday 12 September 2017** at 7:00pm.

Present: Councillor John Burton (in the Chair) and Councillors Denise Davison, George Elliott, Margaret Elliott, Rob Gilbert, Margaret Hughes, Ian Quinn, Leslie Oliver, David Smith 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 County Council matters.

49. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Eileen Dickinson, Bernadette Oliver and Keith Thompson.

Resolved that the above apologies be approved.

50. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Paul Trippett declared a Registerable Interest in Items 9(d) and 9 (e) on the agenda.

Resolved that the above be noted.

51. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were three members of the public in attendance.

Resolved that the above be noted.

52. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 11 JULY 2017

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting be agreed as a true record, and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved that the above be noted.

53. UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF RESOLUTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON 11 JULY 2017

Sergeant Alex Clarke and PC John Seymour attended the meeting to discuss the withdrawal of the Police attendance at the parish council meeting. They advised that this decision had been taken at a senior level as most parish councils did not have Police representation at their meetings and this was resulting in a different service being offered across the Police force. They confirmed that they would re-instate the PACT meetings in Trimdon and, hopefully, this would become the Forum for people to receive further information on Police activity across the parish and also give people the opportunity to report crime incidences.

Resolved that the above be noted.

54. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) The following planning applications were considered:

DM/17/01758/FPA	Kelloe Bank Stables Trimdon Grange	Sheep Shed
DM/17/01987/FPA	1 Myrtle Grove Trimdon Village	Erection of single storey rear extension
DM/17/02465/FPA	5 Front Street South Trimdon Village	Detached residential annex in rear garden including new patio area and ramped access
DM/17/02457	Meadow Cottage Northlands Park Trimdon Grange	First storey extension to existing bungalow
DM/17/02901/FPA	17 Beckwith Drive Trimdon Village	Single storey rear extension

Resolved that the Clerk obtains more information on application DM/17/01758/FPA and that no comments be offered in respect of the remaining applications.

55. FINANCIAL

a) The Clerk submitted the schedule of payments made between 1 August 2017 and 31 August 2017

Resolved that the schedule of payments be approved.

b) The Clerk submitted the schedule of receipts received between 1 August 2017 and 31 August 2017

Resolved that the schedule of receipts be approved.

c) The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliation statement (Instant Access Account) for the period ended 31 August 2017. 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.

d) The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliation statement (Current Bank Account) for the period ended 31 August 2017. 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.

56. CLERK'S REPORTS

a) The Clerk submitted a report on the outcome of the RoSPA Play Safety Inspection Reports, together with an Action Plan to carry out the work identified.

Resolved

1. That the above report be noted.
 2. That the Play Area Safety Inspection Report Action Plan be approved.
 3. That the parish council replaces the roundabout, non-bump see-saw and slide at Trimdon Grange Play Park and carries out repairs to the multi-play and spica at Skerne Play Park, Trimdon Village.
 4. That the quotation from Amberol for 3 no. replacement picnic benches at Skerne Play Park, Trimdon Village be accepted.
- b) The Clerk confirmed that a parish council Facebook Page had been launched to share news about parish council activities. It was suggested that the 'settings' be amended to ensure that any inappropriate comments were not able to be published.

Resolved that the above be noted.

57. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Correspondence has been received from Durham County Council advising that the level of Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme (LCTRS) for the financial year 2018/2019 is likely to be £21,826; a reduction of £1,847 on the current financial year.

Resolved that the above be noted.

- b) Correspondence has been received from Trimdon United Juniors FC thanking the Parish Council for their very generous donation.

Resolved that the above be noted.

- c) Correspondence has been received from Trimdon & District Caged Birds Society and the North East British Bird Mule & Hybrid Club thanking the Parish Council for their generous donation.

Resolved that the above be noted.

- d) A request has been received from Trimdon Grange Banner Group for a financial donation.

Resolved that a donation of £350 be awarded under the Local Government Act 1972 S.137.

- e) A request has been received from Trimdon Colliery Banner Group for a financial donation.

Resolved that a donation of £350 be awarded under the Local Government Act 1972 S.137.

- f) Correspondence has been received from Dyno Plumbing & Heating

Resolved

58. COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATE

County Councillor Peter Brookes had forwarded his apologies for the meeting.

59. COUNCILLOR MATTERS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- The Clerk was asked to look into the possibility of fencing being installed around the grassed area to the rear of the Doctor's Surgery to prevent people driving vehicles across the grass

