

**Minutes of the meeting of Healeyfield Parish Council  
held on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011, at 7.00 p.m.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor A.D.N Addison, G Anderson, W Robson, R Thompson and Mrs M Wotherspoon.

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D Dixon and H Thompson.

**Councillor W Robson (Vice Chair in the Chair)**

**1112/72      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest submitted.

**1112/73      MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 October 2011 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**1112/74      POLICE REPORT & PACT MEETING**

Councillor Anderson reported on policing matters and issues raised at the PACT forum which had taken place prior to the meeting.

**1112/75      NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDENS REPORT**

There was no Neighbourhood Warden report available.

**1112/76      COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

Councillors Johnson and Young reported on matters relating to Durham County Council as follows:-

- Winter Maintenance – Update, leaflets on winter salting routes circulated.
- Council Budget 2012/13 – progress underway to set the budget for the forthcoming financial year, changes in government settlement have impacted upon figures and it was expected that further cuts would take place during 2012/13.

**1112/77      AREA ACTION PARTNERSHIP & PARISH COUNCIL'S  
COMMITTEE**

Councillor Burton provided an update with regard to recent developments and discussions within Mid Durham AAP and the Parish Council's Committee.

He reported that the PCC had been considering AAP priorities and their input into the Forum. Councillor Burton sought the views of the Parish Council members on the priorities as outlined. Members agreed with the proposals put forward, and would await recommendations which would be made by the PCC to see how Parish Council's could feed into the AAP further in the future.

**1112/78      FINANCE****EXPENDITURE - Cheques presented for approval on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

CHQ No.	Date	Cost	VAT	Total (£)	Payee	Detail
1111	24-Nov	125.00	0.00	125.00	G Elliott	Collect Flower Tubs
1112	24-Nov	635.82	0.00	635.82	L Stephenson	Salary 01.10.11 – 31.12.11
1113	24-Nov	159.00	0.00	159.00	HMRC	Salary as above
1114	24-Nov	81.65	0.00	81.65	L Stephenson	Admin 01.07.11 – 24.11.11
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1001.47</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1001.47</b>		<b>1001.47</b>

<b>INCOME RECEIVED 28/10 – 24/11</b>	
Bank Interest – Community Account	0.00
Bank Interest – Business Money Manager Account	0.00
<b>Total Income in month (£)</b>	<b>0.00</b>

<b>BALANCES</b>	
Balance B/F	17207.51
Less Expenditure as above	1001.47
<b>Balance C/F (£)</b>	<b>16206.04</b>

**1112/79      BUDGET 2012/13.**

The Clerk circulated a report which outlined for members the estimated spend for 2012/13 including details which would enable the Council to set its annual precept and budget.

It was noted that a decision on the budget was not to formally approved until January 2012 however it was important that the Council look at funds that they may wish to ringfence during 2012/13 for spend or allocation to specific projects or longer term aims..

**RESOLVED:** that the budget estimates be provisionally approved, with a final decision on the Precept to be taken at the next meeting of the Council in January 2012.

**1112/80      CORRESPONDENCE**

**RESOLVED:** that the following correspondence be received:-

- 1112/80/1      Digital UK – Info regarding Digital TV Switchover
- 1112/80/2      Durham County Council – Consultation on School Admission Arrangements September 2013/14
- 1112/80/3      Durham County Council – Etape Pennines Event 2012
- 1112/80/4      Local Government Boundary Commission – Final Recommendations
- 1112/80/5      North Pennines News - Newsletter

**1112/81      DEVELOPMENT CONTROL**

There were no planning applications relating to the Parish area to report.

**1112/82      CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk reported on the following issues for information:-

- Christmas Tree to be delivered Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December.
- Website, some issues with upload of historical data, Members to be informed when site goes live.

**1112/83      MEMBER REPORTS**

**RESOLVED:** that the following member Reports be received:-

- (i) Councillor Robson advised that there were no issues / update in respect of Shotley Bridge Hospital.
- (ii) Parish Wood – Councillor R Thompson provided an update on the progress of the application to the Forestry Commission. Further details would be reported to the next meeting once further progress had been made.
- (iii) Friends of Castleside Village Hall – Councillor R Thompson provided an update with regard to progress of the Friends Group and the Management Committee. It was reported that the first meeting of the Management Committee had now taken place and Mr John Stokoe had been elected as the Secretary to the Group.

Further details were provided as to the constitutional arrangements of the Management Committee and arrangements for input from organisations who use the hall.

To date there had been a great response from residents, it was hoped that a further update would be provided in the Spring Newsletter along with a bank mandate for completion by those interested in becoming a 'Friend of the Village Hall'.

**1112/84      OLYMPIC TORCH / QUEENS JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

Members discussed options for celebrations during June 2012 in relation to the two events. It was agreed that a public meeting should be held during January 2012 to seek the views of residents as to potential events or celebrations, which could take place within the Village

It was further suggested that there may be potential for the next carnival to be brought forward to coincide with celebrations.

**1112/85      ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Wotherspoon raised an issue with regard to advertising in the Parish Newsletter and Noticeboards, it was agreed that an article shall be placed in the next newsletter outlining the restrictions on advertising.

The meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.

Signed.....Chairman  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012