

Minutes of a meeting of Healeyfield Parish Council
Held on 30th January at 7.00 p.m. Castleside Village Hall.

PRESENT

Councillors A D N Addison (Chair), D Dixon, A Pearson.

County Councillor R Young, Councillor C Burton, G Miller (Clerk), 9 members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillor O Johnson.

1314/92 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors A Addison and A Pearson declared a prejudicial interest under item 1314/106 due to their position on the Castleside Scouts. They subsequently took no part in voting on that item.

Councillor D Dixon declared a prejudicial interest under item 1314/101. He subsequently took no part in voting on that item.

1314/93 MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on the 28th November 2013 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

1314/94 CO-OPTION

Following an application and interview process held on 23rd February 2014 two candidates were interviewed, members considered candidates and it was RESOLVED that Mrs Johanna Forster and Mrs Judith Robson be duly elected to serve as co-opted Members of the Parish Council.

Councillors Forster and Robson signified their acceptance of office.

1314/95 CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLVED: that the following items of correspondence be received.

1314/95/1 Petition received entitled resignations RESOLVED deferred to the next meeting as received after the deadline date for inclusion on the agenda.

1314/95/2 Grant application form received for improvement and promotion of local footpaths bridleways and byways RESOLVED members to contact clerk with any possible projects that may benefit from the grant.

1314/95/3 request from Durham Community Action Team to attend a Parish meeting RESOLVED Clerk to invite the team to the next meeting.

1314/95/4 Defibshop offer to supply Parish Council with debrillator RESOLVED Clerk to investigate costings.

1314/95/5 thank you letter from The North East Air Ambulance for recent Donation NOTED.

1314/96 AAP AND PARISH COUNCILS REPORT

Councillor Burton had no issues to report however provided an overview on the AAP. He advised the AAP's cover all areas of the county, they help to deliver high quality services and give local people and organisations a say on how Council services are provided, they also have finances and grants available for community use.

1314/97 PACT AND POLICE

The PACT meeting for Castleside and Moorside has been amalgamated the next meeting will take place on Wednesday 26th February at Selby Gardens community centre.

1314/98 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor R Young advised that the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) consultation results are currently being analysed and will form the final decision of the budget, which will be agreed by the full Council in February 2014. Councillor Young further advised that a consultation is currently being conducted with regards to the proposed strategy for customer services and encouraged members to take part online on the DCC website.

1314/99 FINANCE

EXPENDITURE - Cheques presented for approval on 30 January 2014

CHQ No.	Date	Cost	VAT	Total (£)	Payee	Detail
1209	30 Jan	50.00	0.00	50.00	Cath O Hanlon	Newsletter
1210	30 Jan	50.00	0.00	50.00	Kogs Band	150 th bday grant
1211	30 Jan	48.32	0.00	48.32	Gemma Miller	150 bday grant
1212	30 Jan	28.00	0.00	28.00	Allison Cranney	150 bday grant
1213	30 Jan	36.00	0.00	36.00	Geoff Anderson	150 bday grant
1214	30 Jan	100.00	0.00	100.00	Castleside Community Association	150 bday grant
1215	30 Jan	20.00	0.00	20.00	Judith Robson	150 bday grant
1216	30 Jan	200.00	0.00	200.00	Castleside Primary School	150 bday grant
1217	30 Jan	45.00	0.00	45.00	Castleside Community association	Christmas Lunches
1218	30 Jan	209.00	0.00	209.00	Durham County Council	Printing Newsletter
TOTAL		786.32		786.32		

INCOME RECEIVED	
Community Account	0.00
Business Money Manager Bank Interest	0.00

Total Income in month (£)	0.00
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BALANCES	
Balance B/F	17001.69
Add Income as above	0.00
Less Expenditure	786.32
Balance C/F	16215.37

1314/99/1 RESOLVED: that the Finance report be noted and approved.

1314/100 PRECEPT 2014/15

Members received a report of the Clerk which outlined in detail the budget and precept recommendations for 2014/15 including information which impacted upon the Council.

Members were keen to maintain Council Tax at the current level, a 0% interest and noted that it would impose a deficit of £55.86 less resources than in 2013/14.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the budget for 2014/15 shall be set at £9068.00
- (ii) That the precept request for 2014/15 shall be £8544.14
- (iii) In addition a grant of £524 will be awarded in 2014/15 from DCC.

1314/101 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

Application CE/13/01729/VOC received – Mr D Dixon Middle Heads Farm Rowley Durham DH8 9AF Removal of Condition 7 from planning application CMA/1/76, RESOLVED Members noted the application and did not wish to submit any comments.

1314/102 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk requested to change the date of the March meeting it was RESOLVED to rearrange the meeting to 20th March 2014 7pm in the village hall.

1314/103 MEMBER REPORTS

No Member reports to consider.

1314/104 CHAIN OF OFFICE

The clerk investigated the costings of updating the Chain of Office it was RESOLVED to purchase the required badges at £26.87 each, Councillor Alf Addison to pay the VAT.

1314/105 PARISH SEATS

DCC Neighbourhood Services agreed to deed gift all Seats within the Parish boundary to the Parish Council and had instructed the Asset Dept to draw up the necessary documentation. It was RESOLVED to hold a site visit of all seats on 8th February 2014 at 1pm.

1314/106 PARISH NEWSLETTER

The Clerk circulated the deadline dates for proof/printing and delivery of Newsletter, discussion took place regarding the delivery and costs of the Newsletter, it was RESOLVED to revert to Parish Councillors delivering the newsletter. It was noted that other Parish Councils produce their newsletter in house to save costs it was RESOLVED the clerk to discuss with Cath O'Hanlon the future production of the newsletters.

1314/107 COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS

No Member questions had been submitted.

Conclusion of Meeting 8.15p.m.

Signed.....Chairman of the Council
30th January 2014