

BRANDON & BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM
ON WEDNESDAY 5TH MARCH 2014, AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT

Councillor Grantham (in the Chair)
and Councillors Bell, Jamieson, Nelson, Mrs Nelson, Mrs Rodgers and Turnbull

Fin. 36 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

Fin. 37 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Gates, Jones, Mrs Leckenby, Taylor and Mrs Wharton.

RESOLVED: To receive the apologies.

Fin. 38 ACCOUNT BALANCE AT 31ST JANUARY 2014

Approval was requested for the account balance as at 31st January 2014.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the balances at 31st January 2014.

Fin. 39 ESTIMATES/ ACTUALS AS AT 31ST JANUARY 2014

Approval was requested for estimates/ actuals as at 31st January 2014

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the estimates/ actuals at 31st January 2014.

Fin. 40 WARD ESTIMATES/ ACTUALS AS AT 31ST JANUARY 2014

Approval was requested for ward estimates/ actuals as at 31st January 2014.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the ward estimates/ actuals at 31st January 2014.

Fin. 41 **REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

The Clerk explained that the Draft Legislative Reform Order (LRO) had been approved by Parliament. This will give Councils freedom to use other methods of payments such as BACS instead of cheques. Consequently the publication ‘Governance and Accountability for Local Councils a Practitioner’s Guide’ would require updating and a new Financial Regulations would be issued.

RESOLVED: To recommend that the Parish Council’s Financial Regulations are reviewed at the June Finance meeting when further guidance was received.

Fin. 42 **REVIEW OF RISK ASSESSMENT AND INSURANCE**

The Committee considered the annual risk assessment and insurance cover.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the risk assessment and insurance cover.

Fin. 43 **CALENDAR OF MEETINGS**

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the following calendar of meetings, with the option to alter the January 2015 meeting depending on timing of the receipt of budget information from Durham County Council.

Wednesday	4th June 2014	7 pm
Wednesday	3rd September 2014	7 pm
Wednesday	7th January 2015	7 pm
Wednesday	4th March 2015	7 pm

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm

Signed

Date