

BRANDON AND BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS**

**6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM
ON FRIDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2010 AT 6.30 PM**

PRESENT

**Councillor T Akins (in the Chair)
and Councillors Allen, Bell, Mrs Bonner, Mrs Catterson, Mrs Gates, Grantham, Jones,
Kelley, Mrs Kitching, Nelson, Smith, Taylor, Turnbull, Wilkinson, Mrs Wilkinson and
Venn**

142. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:

Item 9	DCBC	Cllr David Bell	-	Chair
Item 9	DCBC	Cllr Anne Bonner	-	Governor
Item 16b	Ushaw Moor Together	Cllr Pauline Gates	-	Treasurer
Item 16b	Ushaw Moor Together	Cllr David Bell	-	Chair
Item 16e	Brandon Comm. Assoc.	Cllr Brian Nelson	-	Chair
Clerks Report	Brandon Partnership	Cllr John Turnbull	-	Chair

RESOLVED: To accept the declarations

143. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no questions from the public in the specified time.

144. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dowsey, Mrs Smith and Stoddart.

RESOLVED: To receive the apologies.

145. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17TH SEPTEMBER 2010

RESOLVED: That the minutes be confirmed as a true record and signed by the
Chairman.

146. PRESENTATION OF DONATIONS

The Chairman presented donations to the following:
Brandon Bay Horse F.C
St. Patrick's Church
Samaritans
The Medical Group

147. AAP PRIORITIES CONSULTATION

Andy Coulthard, the Mid Durham AAP Co-ordinator, gave a short presentation on the consultations take place on the AAP priorities for next year. This would be finalised at the AAP Forum on 10th November 2010. The Chairman thanked Andy for the information.

148. POLICE REPORT

The Police gave a report of crime throughout the area.

RESOLVED: To receive the report.

149. REPORT FROM UNITARY MEMBERS

Councillor Taylor reported on the following:

Cabinet considering new housing tenancy agreement which would consolidate East Durham, Dale and Valley and Durham City Homes.

Byelaws set to require highest possible standards in tattoo industry.

Local Transport Plan - improve journeys and encourage use of bus services.

Councillor Turnbull informed Members that a report on the viability of Community Centres was being prepared.

RESOLVED: To receive the reports.

150. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING - APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Extracts from planning applications lists had been forwarded to appropriate Ward Councillors.

List of approvals and refusals were available at the meeting.

Plans received:

- Application 4/10/00711 proposed demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement bungalow at Edelweiss Stonebridge.
- Application 4/10/00673 - Suzuki GB - Erection and display of 1 no. internally illuminated sign and 5 no. non-illuminated double-sided totem sign and 1 no. free standing non-illuminated single sided entrance sign at Stoneacre Garage - Objection had been made on the following grounds:
 - size of the totem sign (5 metres) creating unsightly affect on visual amendity
 - loss of green space

RESOLVED: To approve the comments.

151. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNCILLORS AGM 26-28TH NOVEMBER 2010

Approval of delegates was required for the above.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Nelson and one other attend (LG Act 1972 Sec. 111).

152. NOMINATION OF REPRESENTATIVE FROM CDALC SUB-COMMITTEE FOR MID DURHAM AAP TO COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Approval of delegate requested for the above. An invitation had also been received to the CDALC AGM on 30th October 2010, at 10.30 am in the Council Chamber, County Hall.

RESOLVED: To nominate Councillor Bell as representative and that Councillors Mrs Bonner and Bell attend the AGM.

153. TRAINING ON SECTION 106 AGREEMENTS ON 4TH NOVEMBER 2010 AT CIVIC CENTRE, CHESTER LE STREET

Approval of delegates requested for the above training.

RESOLVED: That Councillors Mrs Bonner, Kelley, Mrs Wilkinson and the Clerk attend.

154. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

Letters had been received from Durham County Council offering the Parish Council pieces of land at Aldridge Court and Eshwood View, Ushaw Moor which are surplus to their requirements.

RESOLVED: To inform Durham County Council that the Parish Council were not interested in the land.

155. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

Comments were invited on proposed Transit 15 Bus Lane A690 High Street South, Langley Moor.

A letter from a local resident had also been received commenting on the proposal.

RESOLVED: To arrange a meeting with an officer of Durham County Council to discuss the issue and to write back to the resident indicating that the finance for the scheme has come from Central Government grants.

156. DCLG PUBLICITY CODE OF RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

Comments were invited on the above document.

RESOLVED: To inform CDALC that the Parish Council agrees with the principles in the documents and already adheres to these.

157. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

a) LANGLEY MOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

157. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION (Cont.)

a) LANGLEY MOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM (Cont.)

RESOLVED: To donate £150 in this instance (£100 Brandon Ward and £50 Langley Moor Ward) (LG (Misc Prov Act) 1976 Sec. 19)

b) USHAW MOOR TOGETHER

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

Councillors Bell and Mrs Gates left the room.

RESOLVED: To support the Group but to defer until the Group has secured funding from other sources before agreeing on an amount.

Councillors Bell and Mrs Gates returned to the meeting.

c) NORTH STAR MARTIAL ARTS AND FITNESS

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

RESOLVED: To request more information.

d) POPPY APPEAL & REMEMBRANCE DAY RECEPTION

Authorisation was requested to pay for the reception at the British Legion following the remembrance service.

RESOLVED: To donate £500 to the Poppy Appeal (Central Fund) (Power of Well Being), to pay for the reception (Brandon, Meadowfield and Langley Moor Wards) (Power of Well Being) and to donate £300 to Durham University Band for their services on Remembrance Day (LG Act 1972 Sec. 145).

e) BRANDON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - HALLOWEEN PARTY

A request for a donation had been received from the above.

Councillors Grantham and Nelson left the meeting.

RESOLVED: To donate £200 in this instance (Brandon Ward) (Power of Well Being)

Councillors Grantham and Nelson returned to the meeting.

158. COUNTY DURHAM STRATEGIC HOUSING LAND AVAILABILITY ASSESSMENT (SHLAA)

The Parish Council has been consulted on the above.

RESOLVED: To make the following comments.

Langley Moor

Area at Langley Hall Farm - Any development here would exacerbate existing traffic congestion.

Brandon

No issues with sites

New Brancepeth

No issue with sites

Meadowfield

Road infrastructure would not support any additional development

Esh Winning

Land at Fairview Stables - no need for development at this end of village. Area too near road junction.

Land at The Oaks - no issues

Ushaw Moor

Oppose development on all green areas within village.

159. SLCC NATIONAL CONFERENCE 15 - 17TH OCTOBER 2010 IN DURHAM

RESOLVED: To approve the Clerk and one Member to attend the conference (LG Act 1972 Sec. 111).

160. CIVIC FUNCTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Spennymoor T. C	Charity Evening	31.10.10
Chilton T.C.	Charity Evening	12.11.10
Royal British Legion	Festival of Remembrance	13.11.10
Ferryhill T.C.	'A Patriotic Night of Remembrance'	13.11.10
Spennymoor T.C.	Civic Dinner	3.12.10
Durham C.C.	Civic Carol Service	5.12.10
Sildon T.C.	Charity Evening	10.12.10
Spennymoor T.C.	Civic Carol Service	12.12.10
Sildon T.C.	Civic Carol Service	12.12.10
Ferryhill T.C.	Civic Carol Service	13.12.10
Chilton T.C.	Civic Carol Service	16.12.10

RESOLVED: To approve the Chairman/ Vice-Chairman's attendance at the functions

161. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Authorisation was requested to pay the accounts amounting to £11,439.75

RESOLVED: To authorise payment of the accounts.

162. ALLOTMENTS

Commercial Street.

Permission was requested to erect a shed on plot number 23.

RESOLVED: To grant permission provided the shed is constructed of suitable materials.

163. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk presented a report to Council.

RESOLVED: To receive the report.

The following issues arose:

a) Larger Local Council Forum

RESOLVED: To support Councillors Harrington, Jeffrey and Robinson for election to Larger Local Council's Committee.

b) Salt bins - New Brancepeth

RESOLVED: To purchase 3 salt bins for New Brancepeth i.e. Co-op Terrace leading to Bewley Terrace, Bus stop 2-3 Braunespath Estate and Alum Waters.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

