

BRANDON AND BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL

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

**6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM
ON FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2010 AT 6.30 PM**

PRESENT

**Councillor T Akins (in the Chair)
and Councillors Bell, Mrs Bonner, Dowsey, Jones, Mrs Kitching, Stoddart, Taylor,
Turnbull, Wilkinson, Mrs Wilkinson and Venn**

165. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:

Item 17 New Brancepeth Village Hall	Cllr David Bell	Committee Member
Item 17 New Brancepeth Primary	Cllr David Bell	Chair
Item 17 New Brancepeth Primary School	Cllr Anne Bonner	Governor
Item 17 New Brancepeth Youth Club	Cllr Anne Bonner	Management Committee Member
Item 17 Ushaw Moor Catholic Club	Cllr Phil Stoddart	Member
Item 17 Browney School	Cllr Tommy Akins	Governor
Item 17 Browney Club	Cllr Tommy Akins	Treasurer
Clerks Report Brandon Partnership	Cllr John Turnbull	Chair

RESOLVED: To accept the declarations

166. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

167. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Allen, Mrs Gates, Kelley, Nelson, Mrs Smith and A Smith.

RESOLVED: To receive the apologies.

168. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15TH OCTOBER 2010

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

169. PRESENTATION OF DONATION

The Chairman presented a donation to:

Langley Moor Primary School F.C.

170. PRESENTATION BY LIZ OAKS - DURHAM LIFESTYLE PROJECT

Ms Oaks was not in attendance.

171. POLICE REPORT

The Police were not present.

172. UNITARY MEMBERS REPORT

Councillor Taylor reported on the following:

- Cabinet formally agreed that County Council would adopt footways and carriageways which had been handed over by the Districts. Survey will be completed in December to determine maintenance.
- Review of cashier services in progress
- Consultation taking place on proposed cutbacks.

Councillors Turnbull and Wilkinson reported:

- Annand House, Meadowfield could be under threat of closure
- Brandon and Oversteads Houses could be closing, Durham County Council in process of trying to find a charitable organisation to take them over.

173. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING –APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

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

List of approvals and refusals had been received.

Planning permission had been granted for the following applications:

- 4/10/00673- Suzuki GB- Erection and display of 1no. internally illuminated sign and 5no. non- illuminated fascia signs to front elevations of existing buildings, 1 no. internally illuminated double-sided totem sign and 1 no. free standing non-illuminated single sided entrance sign at Stoneacre Garage
- Outline application including details of access (all matters reserved) for the residential redevelopment of the site to provide 24 dwellings (indicative only) (amended plans and supporting information) at land at Ridding Road, Esh Winning

Planning permission had been refused for the proposed erection of 1 no. externally illuminated fascia sign and 1no. Non-illuminated projecting sign to existing retail store at Manchester House, Commercial Street, Brandon

Plans were held in the office for proposed change of use and conversion of redundant agricultural farm buildings to form 8no. dwellings including associated parking provision and landscaping at Broom Hall Farm, Ushaw Moor

RESOLVED: To take for information.

174. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

The Members considered Durham County Councils proposed Transit 15 Bus Lane A690, Salvation Army to Lloyds Bank.

174. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL (Cont.)

RESOLVED: To support the installation of the bus lane but to convey to Durham County Council the Parish Council's concerns about the following:

- Potential problems with traffic congestion at the junction at Lloyds Bank
- Three bus stops between Salvation Army and The Boyne Hotel add to the congestion, as a minimum bus stop nearest Lloyds Bank should be removed.
- Congestion at Nevilles Cross and Toll House Road - traffic lights needs to be addressed.
- Consideration of a park and ride scheme in the area.
- Safety and congestion issue needs addressing at junction of A167 and B6300 near Honest Lawyer.

175. DURHAM RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL-INVITATION TO 'MEET THE FUNDERS ' EVENT FRIDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2010.

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

176. B6302 CORNSAY COLLIERY TO DURHAM CITY- SPEED LIMIT REVIEW

Comments on the above are requested by 23rd November 2010.

RESOLVED: To make the following comments:

- Plans 1 & 2 - Cornsay to Esh Winning - no objection
- Plan 3 Durham Road, Esh Winning - objection to 40 mph speed limit. 30 mph limit should be extended to include Flass Terrace
- Plans 4 & 5 Esh Winning to Ushaw Moor - retention of 40 mph speed limit up to Ushaw Moor
- Plan 6 Ushaw Moor to Broompark - object to 40 mph speed limit, warrants 30 mph limit..

177. CDALC- DOUBLE TAXATION

A letter regarding the Double Taxation issue to be sent to Durham County Council from CDALC. Members are requested to support this or respond independently.

RESOLVED: To support CDALC's letter.

178. DRAFT SERVICE DELEGATION SCHEME BETWEEN DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL AND PARISH & TOWN COUNCILS

Comments were invited on the above by 12th January 2011.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council supports the contents of the Draft Scheme.

179. COUNTY DURHAM & CLEVELAND COUNTY TRAINING PARTNERSHIP- DETAILS OF TRAINING PROGRAMME 2010/11

The above training programme had been received.

RESOLVED: To approve 3 delegates for attendance at appropriate courses.

180. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL- BUDGET CONSULTATION

The County Council is currently consulting on its budget for 2011/12. Your Money, Your Say consultation survey can be accessed on the website.

RESOLVED: That Members respond to the survey individually.

181. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

a) Christmas Donations 2010

RESOLVED: To approve the following:

New Brancepeth

Village Hall	
Methodist Church	£100 each
New Brancepeth Church	
New Brancepeth Primary School and Nursery	£100 School, £50 Xmas Party
New Brancepeth Youth Club	£100
New Brancepeth Residents Group	

Ushaw Moor

St.Lukes Church	
Baptist Church	
2-4 Club St Joseph's Parish Hall	
St. Joseph's Church	
Age Concern	£100 each
Silver Trees Primary	
Pre-School Group	
St.Joseph's R.C.School	
Durham Community Business College	
Oversteads House	
Ushaw Moor Cricket Club	
Ushaw Moor Catholic Club	£150

Esh Winning

Esh Winning Primary	£100
Newhouse St.Mary's School	£100
Wednesday Afternoon Club	£75 each
Monday Luncheon Club	
2-4 Club	
Newhouse Church	
St.Paul's Church	
Baptist Church	
Methodist Church	
Esh Winning Banner Group	
Deerness Over 60's	
Woodland Road Communal Hall	£150 (between coffee morning and elderly group)

a) Christmas Donations 2010 (Cont.)

Brandon, Meadowfield and Langley Moor

St.Andrews Church	£200 each
St.Andrew's Youth Group	(£75 Brandon, £75 Meadowfield)
Brandon Primary School	£200 each
Browney Primary	
Langley Moor Primary	
Langley Moor Nursery	
St.Patrick's School	
St.Patrick's Church	
St.John's Church	
Murray Independent Church	£75 Brandon £75 Meadowfield, £25 L.Moor
St.John Ambulance	£75 Brandon,£75 Meadowfield, £25 L.Moor
Sycamore Park	£75 Brandon
Silver Courts Over 60's	£75 Brandon
Brandon House	£75 Brandon
Harry Carr House	£100(£50 Luncheon Club, £50 Over 60's)
St.Andrew's Playgroup	£150 (Brandon £75, Meadowfield £75)
Teddy Bear Group (Brandon Comm Hall)	£75 Brandon
5th Durham City Scouts	£50(Langley Moor £25, Brandon £25)
Brandon Community Hall	
Christmas Party	£350 (Brandon)
Blair Court	£25 (Langley Moor)
Salvation Army	£75 (£25 each Langley Moor, Brandon and Meadowfield)
Browney Social Club	£75 Meadowfield
The Orchards	£75 Brandon
Meadowfield & District Social Club	£75 each party (Childrens and Over 60's)

b) Gymnast from Meadowfield

A letter had been received requesting financial assistance towards attendance at World Championships.

RESOLVED: To donate £500 in this instance (Power of Well Being) (£100 each Langley Moor, Meadowfield, Brandon and Ushaw Moor, £50 each New Brancepeth and Esh Winning).

182. COMMUNITY FLOWER GARDENS AT HUNTERS GATE AND THE ROUNDY, USHAW MOOR

Councillor Stoddart proposed that 2 community gardens would be developed at the above locations.

RESOLVED: To agree the proposal.

183. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION POLICY

RESOLVED: That the review of the Freedom of Information Policy be approved.

184. LEASE OF NEW PHOTOCOPIER

The Clerk requested approval for the rental of a new photocopier with stapler and fax kit.

RESOLVED: To approve the rental of a Bizhub C220 from Konika Minolta.

185. DATE OF NEXT FINANCE MEETING

The Clerk requested that the Finance Meeting be re-scheduled to 5th January 2011 as relevant information will not be received from Durham County Council until mid December.

RESOLVED: To re-schedule the meeting to 5th January 2011.

186. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Authorisation was requested to pay accounts amounting to £8,697.53.

RESOLVED: To authorise payment of the accounts.

187. PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER, B6302, BROOM LANE, USHAW MOOR

The Parish Council had been consulted on a proposed 2 hour limited waiting No return at Broom Lane, Ushaw Moor.

RESOLVED: To write to Durham County Council expressing concerns about the adverse effect the limited waiting would have on local trade and the implications for residents parking their vehicles on the opposite side of the highway.

188. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk presented a report to Council.

RESOLVED: To receive the report.

The following issues arose:

a) **Browney Village Green**

A letter had been received from Groundwork North East regarding proposed improvements to the Village green following their meeting with Durham County Council's Principal Solicitor. There is a funding opportunity through the Big Lottery Community Spaces Fund. As Parish Council's cannot apply Groundwork was enquiring whether a community group could take the project forward.

RESOLVED: To inform Groundwork that a group of residents from Browney were setting up a group and to give them a contact name.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm