

BRANDON AND BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS
6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM
ON FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2010 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT

Councillor T Akins (in the Chair)
and Councillors Allen, Bell, Mrs Bonner, Mrs Catterson, Dowsey, Gates, Grantham, Kelley,
Nelson, Stoddart, Turnbull, and Venn

189. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Bell declared an interest in item 12 on the Clerk's Report (Ushaw Moor Together).

RESOLVED: To receive the declaration.

190. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

191. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Jones, Mrs Kitching, Mrs Smith, Taylor, Wilkinson and Mrs Wilkinson.

RESOLVED: To receive the apologies.

192. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 19TH NOVEMBER 2010

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

193. MINUTES OF THE ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 1ST DECEMBER 2010

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

194. POLICE

The Police gave a report of crime throughout the area.

RESOLVED: To receive the report.

195. REPORT FROM UNITARY COUNCILLORS

Councillor Turnbull reported that there would be major cuts throughout the County, which would see reductions in services and staffing.

RESOLVED: To receive the report.

196. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

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

List of approvals and refusals had been received.

RESOLVED: To receive the applications.

197. APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF CLERK'S MEMBERSHIP TO SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS

The cost of renewal of subscription for 2010/11 was £168.

RESOLVED: To renew the subscription (LG Act 1972 Sec 111)

198. APPROVAL OF DELEGATES FOR TRAINING EVENT 'EXTERNAL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS' IN YORK ON 14TH -16TH JANUARY 2011

Approval of delegates requested for above event held in the Monkbar Hotel in York.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Allen, Bell and Nelson attend (LG Act 1972 Sec 111)

199. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL- INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

a) Housing Strategy Delivery Plan

RESOLVED: To take for information.

- a) School Admission Arrangements September 2012/13
- b) New Minerals & Waste Sites in County Durham
- c) Durham City Green Belt Site Assessment (part 2)
- d) County Durham Settlement Study
- e) Energy Minerals in County Durham
- f) Need for a North West Durham Green Belt
- g) Safeguarding Mineral Resources for the Future
- h) Towards a Minerals Delivery Strategy for County Durham

Closing dates for responses have been extended to 21st January 2011 with the exception of the School Admission Arrangements September 2012/13 which is 16th January 2011.

RESOLVED: To arrange a meeting in early January to consider the documents.

200. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

a) Broadgate Farm

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

RESOLVED: To donate £400 in this instance (Central Fund) (Power of Well Being)

b) Lourdes Pilgrimage

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

RESOLVED: To donate £1600 in this instance (£400 Brandon, £500 each Ushaw Moor and Esh Winning, £100 New Brancepeth, £50 each Langley Moor and Meadowfield Wards) (Power of Well Being)

c) Durham County Council's Chairman's Charities

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

RESOLVED: To donate £450.00 in this instance (£100 each Brandon, Langley Moor, and Ushaw Moor, £50 each Meadowfield, New Brancepeth and Esh Winning) (Power of Well Being)

d) Open Spaces Society

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

RESOLVED: To donate £75 in this instance (Central Fund) (LG Act 1972 Sec 111)

201. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Authorisation was requested to pay the accounts amounting to £9,707.54.

RESOLVED: To authorise payment of the accounts.

202. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL PROPOSED BUS SHELTER AT NEW ACRES, USHAW MOOR

A request for a contribution/funding for a new bus shelter at New Acres, Ushaw Moor has been received from Durham County Council.

RESOLVED: To find out how much the bus shelter will cost.

203. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

The Council's Standards Committee has recently appointed a Parish & Town Council Sub Committee. A letter has been received offering the Parish Council training on the role of the Standards Committee.

203. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL (Cont.)

RESOLVED: To accept the offer of training.

204. ALLOTMENTS

The quarterly allotment report was presented to Council for approval.

RESOLVED: To approve the report.

205. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk presented a report to Council.

RESOLVED: To receive the report.

The following issues arose:

Salt Bins - New Brancepeth

The salt bins had been delivered and installed. However, the bin at the Pocket Park had been stolen and was reported to the Police.

RESOLVED: To take for information.

The meeting closed at 7.00 pm