

**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 JUNE 2011 AT 6.30 PM**

**PRESENT**

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

**30. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Declarations of interest were received from Councillors Kelley and Mrs Wilkinson Item 16b  
Esh Winning Residents Group  
Councillor Turnbull - Item number 2 on Clerk's Report - Brandon Community Partnership  
Councillor Bell - Item number 9 on Clerk's Report - New Brancepeth Village Hall

**31. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no questions from the public

**32. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Allen, Dowsey, Jones and Nelson.

**RESOLVED:** To receive the apologies.

Standing Orders were suspended to take the Police Report.

**33. POLICE**

The Police presented a written report of crime throughout the Parish.

**RESOLVED:** To receive the report.

**34. MINUTES OF AGM HELD ON 20TH MAY 2011**

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

**35. MINUTES OF ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 1ST JUNE 2011**

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

**36. MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 1ST JUNE 2011**

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

**37. PRESENTATION OF DONATIONS**

The Chairman presented a donation to the following:  
Ushaw Moor Together

**38. REPORT FROM UNITARY COUNCILLORS**

- Litter problem in Brandon - newspapers to be removed
- Consultations taking place regarding Langley Moor houses and around Brandon area

**RESOLVED:** To receive the report.

**39. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING**

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

Plans held in the office for:

4/11/00352 Proposed change of use of open space to form land for the display and sale of motor vehicles including the provision of tarmac hardstanding (re-submission) on land at Stoneacre Garage, Sawmills Lane, Brandon for Stoneacre.

**RESOLVED:** To take for information and to send a letter for application number 4/11/00352 stating that the Parish Council is not happy with cars being parked on Sawmill Lane and the correct signage to be used to direct customers into the car park. To also send a letter of support for application number 4/11/00335 for the erection of 21 no. dwellings land at Ridding Road, Esh Winning for Keepmoat Homes.

**40. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL- CONSULTATION ON THE FOLLOWING:**

Information had been received from Durham County Council regarding the Overview and Scrutiny Review of Area Action Partnerships.

**RESOLVED:** To arrange a working group to discuss the above.

**41. 'WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP' 1<sup>ST</sup>-3<sup>RD</sup> JULY 2011 AT LYTHAM ST ANNES**

Names of two delegates were required for the above conference. Councillor Nelson will also be attending.

**RESOLVED:** Councillors Bell and Stoddart were moved and seconded to attend the above conference.

**42. APPROVAL OF DELEGATES:**

**a) SLCC TRAINING COURSE ON COMMON LAND, VILLAGE GREENS AND RIGHTS OF WAY- 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2011, NEWCASTLE**

Approval of delegates was requested for the above.

**RESOLVED:** To approve Councillors Bonner or Turnbull and the Clerk.

**b) ANNUAL LOCAL COUNCIL ADVISORY SERVICE-13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2011 AT SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE**

Approval of delegates was requested for the above.

**RESOLVED:** To approve Councillor Mrs Bonner, the Clerk and 1 other Councillor.

**c) NALC-COMMUNITIES IN ACTION CONFERENCE- 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2011 AT SHEFFIELD**

An invitation to attend the above conference at Sheffield had been received.

**RESOLVED:** To receive the invitation.

**43. APPROVAL OF INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR 2010/11**

Approval was requested to renew the Insurance, which is due on 23rd June 2011.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the renewal of the Insurance and to take the 5 year contract.

**44. DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS BY BOUNDARY COMMISSION ON REVISED ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

Information had been received on the above and the Parish Council were invited to comment on the recommendations.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk organises a meeting in July to discuss the recommendations.

**45. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**a) Brandon United F.C.**

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

**RESOLVED:** To arrange a meeting with the Club.

**b) Esh Winning Residents Group**

A request to pay the Electricity bill for the Christmas Lights had been received from the above.

Councillors Kelley and Mrs Wilkinson left the meeting

**RESOLVED:** To agree to pay the electricity bill for the Christmas Lights (LG Act 1972 Sec 144)

Councillors Kelley and Mrs Wilkins returned to the meeting.

45. **DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION (Cont.)**

**c) Mayor's Appeal 2011/12**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £175 in this instance (£50 Esh Winning £25 each Brandon, Langley Moor, New Brancepeth, Meadowfield and Ushaw Moor) (Power of Well Being)

**d) Durham Youth Under 14 Football team**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £400 in this instance (£100 each Brandon and Ushaw Moor Wards, £50 each Meadowfield, New Brancepeth, Langley Moor and Esh Winning) (LG (Misc Prov Act) 1976 Sec. 19)

**e) Butterwick House Children's Hospice**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £450 in this instance (£100 each Brandon, Esh Winning and New Brancepeth and £50 each Ushaw Moor, Langley Moor and Meadowfield) (Power of Well Being)

**f) St Luke's Church, Ushaw Moor**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £400 in this instance (Ushaw Moor Ward) (Power of Well Being)

**g) County Durham Society for the Blind & Partially Sighted**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £2000 in this instance (Central Fund) (Power of Well Being)

**h) Open Spaces Society**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £50 in this instance (Central Fund) (Power of Well Being)

**i) Durham Horticultural Craft Show**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £550 in this instance (£100 each Brandon, Esh Winning, Meadowfield, New Brancepeth and Ushaw Moor Wards and £50 Langley Moor) (Power of Well Being)

**45. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION (Cont.)**

**j) Silver Courts**

A donation had been received from the above.

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

**46. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL**

Authorisation was requested to pay accounts amounting to £9,449.07.

**RESOLVED:** To authorise payment of the accounts.

**47. CIVIC FUNCTIONS FOR APPROVAL**

Approval is requested for Chairman or Vice Chairman to attend the following:

Hartlepool B.C.	Reception for New Chair	26.5.11
Spennymoor T.C.	Mayor At home	11.6.11
St. John Ambulance	Annual service of Commemoration	12.6.11
Chilton T.C.	Charity evening	1.7.11
Peterlee T.C.	Mayor's Civic Service	1.7.11
Peterlee T.C.	Mayor At Home	28.7.11

**RESOLVED:** To approve the above functions.

**48. QUARTERLY ALLOTMENT REPORT FOR APPROVAL**

The quarterly allotment report was presented to Council for approval.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the report.

: To arrange a special meeting to discuss the plots at Langley Grove site.

**49. CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk presented a report to Council.

**RESOLVED:** To receive the report.

The following issues arose:

**Pedestrian Crossing Survey**

As the Unitary Councillors were unable to fund the survey from their highways budgets.

**RESOLVED:** To explore other avenues for funding.

**49. CLERK'S REPORT (Cont.)**

**Ushaw Moor Action Group**

A letter had been received from the above regarding the Community Garden project.

**RESOLVED:** To agree to support the project but not the maintenance and to invite Mr Arthurs to a meeting with the Ward Councillors and the Clerk and any other Councillor wishing to attend.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm