

**BRANDON AND BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM  
ON FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2011 AT 6.30 PM**

**PRESENT**

**Councillor B Nelson (in the Chair)  
and Councillors Akins, Allen, Bell, Mrs Bonner, Mrs Catterson, Dowsey, Mrs Gates,  
Grantham, Jones, Kelley, Mrs Leckenby, Rippin, Mrs Smith, Stoddart, Taylor, Turnbull,  
Mrs Wilkinson and Wilkinson**

**131. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**132. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

**133. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs Kitching

**RESOLVED:** To receive the apology.

**134. APPROVAL OF MINUTES HELD ON FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2011**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th November 2011, be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**135. MINUTES OF ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 1ST  
DECEMBER 2011**

The Clerk pointed out that minute All. 25 should read Wharton not Wilson.

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

**136. PRESENTATION OF DONATIONS**

The Chairman presented a donation to:

Joseph Barker

**137. POLICE REPORT**

There were no Police in attendance.

**RESOLVED:** To write to the Police requesting that a written report be sent to the Parish Council.

**138. REPORT FROM UNITARY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The Unitary Councillors reported the following:-

Councillor Taylor thanked the Parish Council for supporting the County Council during a difficult time.

Councillor Turnbull reported the following:

- Proposals for roundabout at Croxdale
- Roadworks to be commenced in Langley Moor
- Issues at Stoneacre garage ongoing.

Councillor Wilkinson reported the following:

- Council house rents will be increased by an average of £3.69

**RESOLVED:** To receive the reports.

**139. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING –APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

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

Plans had been received for proposed erection of 26 no. dwelling houses with formation of access and associated works at site of former Ushaw Moor Infants School, Temperance Terrace, Ushaw Moor.

Planning permissions were available at the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** a) That a letter of support be sent to Durham County Council for proposed development at Temperance Terrace, Ushaw Moor - application number 4/11/00823

b) Application number 4/11/00824 - Concerns be forwarded to Durham County Council with regard to change of use at Durham Sales and Van Hire - possibility of overspill of vehicles onto grass verge and highway.

c) Application number 4/11/00411 - proposed development at former WMC site, Ushaw Moor had been withdrawn - Unitary Councillors agreed to look into reasons for withdrawal.

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

The Clerk informed the meeting that the cost of renewal of subscription for 2012 was £175.

**RESOLVED:** To approve renewal of subscription for 2012.

**141. APPROVAL OF DELEGATES FOR TRAINING EVENT ‘CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ELECTED MEMBERS AFTER THE STANDARDS BOARD’ IN YORK ON 27<sup>TH</sup> -29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2012**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the following delegates to attend:  
Councillors Allen, Bell, Mrs Kitching and Mrs Leckenby (LG Act 1972 Sec. 111)

**142. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL- INVITATION TO COMMENT ON SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2013/14**

The Parish Council considered the document.

**RESOLVED:** To receive the consultation.

**143. DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL- INVITATION TO COMMENT ON REQUEST BY BRANDON CRICKET CLUB TO RENEW THEIR LEASE WITH DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Parish Council had been notified of an application by Brandon Cricket Club to renew their lease and include an extended area of the ground to house the artificial cricket practice facility and to include an area to the North of the Club to regularise the boundaries.

**RESOLVED:** To support the application.

**144. DONATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**a) New Brancepeth WMC F.C.**

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

**RESOLVED:** To pay the pitch fee of £483 (New Brancepeth Ward) (LG (Misc Prov) Act 1976 Sec. 19).

**b) Lourdes Pilgrimage**

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

**RESOLVED:** To donate £1,600 in this instance (£500 each Esh Winning and Ushaw Moor, £400 Brandon, £100 New Brancepeth, £50 each Meadowfield and Langley Moor Wards) (Power of Well Being)

**145. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL**

Authorisation was requested to pay the accounts amounting to £11,794.42.

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

**146. ALLOTMENTS:**

The quarterly Allotment Report was presented to Council for approval.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the report.

The Allotment Officer informed the meeting that a request had been made for a skip by a new tenant.

**RESOLVED:** To provide a skip but inform all the allotment holders.

**147. CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk presented a report to Council for information.

The following issues arose:

**a) GIVE WAY SIGNS AT HOLLY PARK AND ASH AVENUE, USHAW MOOR**

Councillor Stoddart requested that a site meeting be arranged to discuss repainting of the above Give Way Signs, if Durham County Council wouldn't complete the work in the near future.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm

