

**BRANDON AND BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM  
ON FRIDAY 20TH JANUARY 2012 AT 6.30 PM**

**PRESENT**

**Councillor B Nelson (in the Chair)  
and Councillors Allen, Bell, Mrs Bonner, Mrs Gates, Grantham, Kelley, Mrs Kitching,  
Rippin, Stoddart, Taylor, Turnbull, Venn, Mrs Wilkinson and Wilkinson**

**149. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declarations of interest were submitted:

Councillor Turnbull Item No. 4 Clerk's Report - Brandon Community Partnership  
Councillor Turnbull Item No. 11 Agenda County Durham & Darlington Fire & Rescue  
Authority

**RESOLVED:** To record the interests.

**150. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

**151. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Akins, Catterson, Dowsey, Jones,  
Leckenby and Smith.

**RESOLVED:** To receive the apologies.

**152. APPROVAL OF MINUTES HELD ON FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2011**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2011, be confirmed  
as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**153. MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
4TH JANUARY 2012**

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

**154. PRESENTATION OF DONATION**

The Chairman presented a donation to the Lourdes Pilgrimage.

**155. POLICE**

There were no Police in attendance but a written report had been received.

**156. REPORT FROM UNITARY COUNCILLORS**

- £172 m savings have to be made by Durham County Council up to 2017
- Durham County Council exploring new ways of safeguarding Leisure and Cultural Services by considering transferring services to non-profit charitable trusts.
- Durham County Council committed to keeping Libraries open by considering options such as reduction in opening hours
- £1.5m scheme to help County Durham families find employment
- Annand House Customer Services will be closed by end of January 2012. Will be used as new licensing centre and for environmental health services.
- New waste collection system introduced between April and June 2012
- Proposals for disposal of Oversteads House and Brandon House will be decided in February
- Durham City's Charter Trust - Council tax element for May reduced from £5 to £3.80 for 2012/13.

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

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

Planning permissions were available at the meeting.

4/11/00798/OUT	Mr A Davison	Outline application with all detailed matters reserved for the erection of 2 no. dwellinghouses Land Adjacent Manchester House, Commercial Street, Brandon, Durham DH7 8PL
4/11/00847/FPA	Mr & Mrs Trevor Welsh	Demolish existing conservatory and erection of single storey pitched roof extension to side and rear of existing dwelling 6 Alston Way, Meadowfield, Durham DH7 8XF
4/11/00880/FPA	Tom Conway Motorcycles	Extension and alteration of existing motorcycle shop into adjacent shop unit Tom Conway Motor Cycles, 8-12 High Street North, Langley Moor, Durham DH7 8JG
4/11/00884/FPA	Mr T Sharples	Change of use of garage in rear garden to 1 bed residential dwelling Old Garden House, Old Gardens, Brandon Village, Durham DH7 8RX

**157. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING –APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**  
**(Continued)**

4/11/00949/FPA	B & K Developments	Proposed change of use of upper floor to form 1 no. residential flat to create live-work unit including alteration to front elevation windows Unit 21, City West Business Park, St John's Road, Meadowfield, Durham DH7 8ER
4/11/00992/FPA	Mr J Atkinson	Erection of out-building to rear of existing dwelling 23 Whitehouse Lane, Ushaw Moor, Durham DH7 7PG
4/11/01022/FPA	Ms J Grosert	Proposed erection of double storey side extension and single storey rear extension 5 Langley Crescent, Langley Moor, Durham DH7 8LU
4/11/01028/FPA	Stringer & Jones Architects	Enlargement of existing external storage facility Harrison & Harrison Ltd., St. John's Road, Meadowfield, Durham DH7 8YH

**RESOLVED:** To receive the applications.

**158. REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE ROYAL GARDEN PARTY**

Information had been received regarding nomination to this year's Royal Garden Parties held on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

**RESOLVED:** To nominate the Chairman and Consort.

**159. COUNTY DURHAM & DARLINGTON FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY –**  
**INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE INTEGRATED RISK MANAGEMENT**  
**PLAN 2012-2013**

Consultation on the above was taking place until 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2013.

**RESOLVED:** That Members complete the questionnaire.

**160. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL**

Authorisation was requested to pay accounts amounting to £10,754.22.

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

**161. ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

The Chairman agreed to raise the following urgent items:

**a) Approval of delegates to Conference 'The new benefit system and how it will affect local Services' 24 - 26 February 2012**

Delegates were required for approval.

**RESOLVED:** To approve Councillors Bell, Bonner and Grantham to attend. (L.G. Act 1972 Sec. 111)

**b) Installation of Seat and Litter Bin, Esh Winning**

County Councillor Chaplow had requested the Parish Council to adopt a seat and litter bin at Esh Winning which she had bought through her AAP Neighbourhood Budget.

**RESOLVED:** To agree to adopt the seat and litter bin and add to the Parish Council's insurance.

**162. REPORT OF CLERK**

The Clerk presented a report to Council for information. The following issues arose:

**a) Brandon Community Partnership**

Councillor Turnbull informed the meeting that the Partnership had requested the Council to adopt a fingerpost which was to be erected in Brandon Park.

**RESOLVED:** To agree to adopt the fingerpost.

**b) Small and Medium Local Councils Forum**

Agenda items had been requested from CDALC for the Inaugural meeting of the above on 17th February 2012.

**RESOLVED:** It was suggested that 'shared services' be proposed for the agenda and that the Clerk and one other Member attend.

**c) Parish Paths Partnership**

The Parish Council had been invited to propose any larger scale improvements to PROW as well as the strimming programme under the P3 scheme.

**RESOLVED:** To request that PROW 64, Ushaw Moor, be proposed for new surfacing as its condition at present was very poor.

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Date .....