

## WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a Meeting of the Waldridge Parish Council held on 12 May 2015 at 7.00pm



**Present:** Councillors - Cork, Davies, Foster, Harris, Howie and McDonnell

**Also in attendance** - Angela Foster - Parish Clerk, Brian Laidler - caretaker, Cllr Katherine Henig County Councillor and 1 member of the public

1. **Welcome** – The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **New member** - 3 applications submitted for the one position of Councillor (co-opted), one candidate didn't turn up, the members voted unanimously and accepted Chris Dawson onto the council, he signed the declaration of acceptance

3. **Apologies for Absence:**

**Resolved:** Cllr Cooper (recovering from operation), gave his apologies - and the reason was accepted. Cllrs Moody and Vaughan (working commitments) gave their apologies and he reason was accepted. Cllrs McDonnell and Howie requested to leave the meeting early.

4. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

No members declared an interest

5. **Questions from members of the public:**

1 member of the public wished to discuss the planning application (agenda item A), this to be discussed later

6. **Police Report:**

PCSO Cain attended and gave her report 1 Burglary, 4 criminal damage and 2 anti social behaviour.

7. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

**Resolved** *That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 April 2015 were approved and signed by the Vice Chairman*

8. **Clerks report:**

No report submitted

9. **Parish Matters and on-going items**

a) **Planning applications received**

**To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was published.**

<a href="#">DM/15/01209/FPA</a>	4 Gill Croft Chester-le-Street DH2 2XF	Rear ground floor extension
<a href="#">DM/15/01222/FPA</a>	2 Poppyfields Chester-le-Street DH2 2NA	Replace windows and pedestrian door of garage to UPVC and replace two single garage doors with one double garage door

**Resolved:** *To recommend approval*

<a href="#">DM/15/01115/FPA</a>	Woodside Waldridge Road Chester-le-Street DH2 3SL	Proposed new temporary access track for forestry purposes
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**Resolved:** *To recommend objection - the Clerk to send letter*

*Cllr McDonnell was excused from the meeting at 7.30pm*

b) **To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was published.**

<a href="#">DM/15/01327/FPA</a>	19 Long Burn Drive Chester-le-Street DH2 2XE	Erection of a single storey rear extension
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**Resolved:** *To recommend approval*

c) **County Councillors report** – Cllr Henig submitted her report covering:

**Traffic management** - Speed limits / Parking in Waldridge Village / Street lighting

**Other issues** - Birch View playground / Participatory Budget event / Community resilience / Flood fence and County plan

**Resolved** - *Report noted*

*Cllr Howie was excused at 8.00pm*

d) **Grants requested** - AAP for the mobile cinema requested a grant of up to £500. Further information re costs were brought to the meeting.

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to donate £200. The Clerk to raise the cheque.*

- e) **Parking problems in the village** – Still awaiting a site meeting
- f) **Notice board** - 2 responses from Facebook re location, both suggested Millennium Green.  
*Resolved:* It was suggested looking at further locations and report back at next meeting.
- g) **Fitness equipment / Millennium Green / goal posts monthly inspections** – The equipment has been inspected. No more damage has occurred recently  
*Resolved:* Report noted.
- h) **Replace fascias on Parish rooms** - The Caretaker requested replacing the fascias with UPVC as wood is rotten. A cost has been sourced of £230 to replace.  
*Resolved:* It was agreed to go ahead with repair
- i) **Annual return** – The Council received and considered the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2015 which included the Statement of Accounts, the Annual Governance Statement and the Financial Information in section 4 of the Annual Return relating to the annual Internal Audit Report. They took on board all suggestions made.  
**Resolved** To approve the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2015  
**Resolved** To approve the Annual Governance Statement for the e year ended 31 March 2015
- j) **Timetable of events** – CDALC forthcoming events (if any)
- nothing planned
- k) **Correspondence received**
- nothing received
- l) **Correspondence received after agenda published** (to note only)
- Nothing received
- m) **Waldridge in Bloom working group update** –
- Cllr Cork gave an update. DCC have been weed killing and have made a mess  
*Resolved:* The Clerk to send photos to complain
- n) **AAP forum updates** –
- Nothing to report
- o) **Urgent issues for noting** (Clerk to use delegated powers if necessary) **and any items Councillors wish to agenda for next meeting**

10. **Financial Matters**

	(a) <b><u>Payments</u></b>	
<b><u>Resolved:</u></b> That the following payments be agreed:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1)</li> <li>(2)</li> <li>(3)</li> <li>(4)</li> </ul>	<p>That the sum £590.80 be paid to Mrs A Foster (April 2015 wage) - this to incorporate one increment as per contract of employment and pay increase as per NALC agreement)</p> <p>That the sum of £184.03 be paid to Mr B Laidler (April 2014 wage)</p> <p>That the sum of £548.49 be paid to CDALC - annual subs</p> <p>That the sum of £200.0 be paid to Chester le Street consortium - cinema grant</p>
	(b) <b><u>Receipts</u></b>	<p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b> That the following receipts be noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) That the sum of £57.00 was received for room hire</li> <li>(2) That the sum of £396.24 was received from VAT reclaim</li> </ul>
<p>11. <b><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></b></p> <p>9 June 2015 - to commence at 7.00pm</p> <p>The meeting terminated at 8.25pm</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Chairman</b> <b>Date</b></p>		