

## ESH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Parish Room, Church Street, Community Centre, Langley Park on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2005 at 7pm.

Present:- Councillor A Mollon,(Chairman), C Bloor, G Goulson, A Christie, H Guildford , A Harling, S Rothwell and W Tyrie.

Apologies:- Councillor F Crow, H Tyler, M Tyler and PC Dover.

Also in Attendance:- County Councillor J Armstrong, PCSO Brown and G F Smith (Clerk).

### 111/05 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Coulson and Guildford declared an interest in item 7 – Planning Matters. They took no part in the debate other than to clarify any matters of fact.

### 112/05 Police Report

PCSO Brown gave a comprehensive report on incidents within the Parish (attached to the minutes), followed by a question and answer session. Members thanked PCSO Brown for the report.

### 113/05 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2005

Agreed as true record signed by the Chairman.

### 114/05 Clerks Report including Observations from Councillors to the Minutes

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### 111/03 Commuted Sum

Nothing further to report, Clerk to update at the next Parish Council when the situation changes.

### 138/04 Community Enhancement Service National Probation Service

Nothing further to report, Clerk to update the Parish Council when the situation changes.

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### 140b/04 Alternative Parish Council Office Accommodation

Nothing further to report, Clerk to update the Parish Council when the situation changes.

### 143/04 EQUaL – National Playing Fields Association Scheme

Awaiting further details from NFA, Clerk to update at the next Parish meeting.

### 009/05 Tsunami Earthquake Appeal

Contact details have been received from the British Council, Clerk to progress and report to the next Parish meeting.

**Signed by the Chairman ..... Page 1**

019/05 Remembrance Sunday 2005 and Inscribing of the War Memorial

A volunteer bugler has agreed to play at the ceremony on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2005. Derwentside District Council will be carrying out the inscribing of the War Memorial.

020/05 Footpath at the Recreation Ground

Awaiting a response from Northumbrian Water, Chairman, Councillor Christie and the Clerk would make efforts to contact the organisation to arrange a site meeting with the inspector. Clerk to update at the next Parish meeting.

057/05 Request to use Esh Play Area – Esh Parish Girls FC.

Nothing further to report, Clerk to update the Parish Council when the situation changes.

059/05 Reports – c) District Council, Land at Esh Hillside Council Estate.

Nothing further to report, Clerk to update the Parish Council when the situation changes.

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063b/05 Request for Donation – WRVS

Nothing further to report, Clerk to update the Parish Council when the situation changes.

074/05 Correspondence – Go North East

E-Mail received from the Service Information Manager, members to let the Clerk know of any instances where services have not operated or have run late.

076/bi/05/www Domain

Clerk to update at the next Parish meeting.

101/05 Minutes of a Special Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> September 2005

- a) Temporary and permanent library provision.  
Item dealt with on agenda item 8b – County Council Report.
- b) Use of facilities at Langley Park Primary School – Simply Soccer.  
Awaiting response from Durham County Council, Education Department.  
Clerk to update at the next Parish Meeting.

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104/05 Reports – b) Parish

Item dealt with on agenda item 8b – Parish Report.

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104/05 Reports – b) Parish

The next Parish walk will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2006

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106/05 Request for Donation – Badger Girls FC Esh Parish.

Nothing further to report, Clerk to update the Parish Council when the situation changes.

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109/05 Voucher 139 – Financial Computerised System

Clerk to update at the next Parish meeting.

115/05 Correspondence

Durham County Council

- a) Environment – National Tree Week – Plant trees in your ground.  
23<sup>rd</sup> November to 4<sup>th</sup> December 2005.

Durham Association of Parish and Town Councils

- b) AGM on 26<sup>th</sup> November at 10.15 at County Hall, Durham.

Others

- c) National Association of Councillors, NE Region Newsletter September 2005
- d) SMP Playgroups seminar ‘Play and Leisure provision for Parish Councils’  
At the Garden Rooms, Thirsk Racecourse on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2005 at 10.30 am.
- e) Durham Rural Community Council birthday celebrations and AGM  
13<sup>th</sup> October 6.15 to 9.15 pm at Locomotion, Shildon.
- f) Co-operative Bank PLC – Authorised overdraft facilities.
- g) Co-operative Bank PLC – Regulatory check on Tax status.

116/05 Planning Matters

**A**

No.	CC/1/2005/0774/DMFP
APPLICANT	MR J EMMS
PROPOSED	ERECTION OF GARAGE TO SIDE
AT	2 SPRINGWELL AVENUE, LANGLEY PARK

**B**

No.	CC/1/2005/0820/DMFP
APPLICANT	MR & MRS TELFORD
PROPOSED	ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION
AT	25 EPPLETON CLOSE, LANGLEY PARK

**C**

No. TOC/1/2005/0807/DMFP  
APPLICANT MR & MRS POMPHRETT  
PROPOSED CONSERVATORY TO REAR  
AT 4 MEADOWBANK, LANGLEY PARK

**D**

No. FC/1/2005/0827/DMLB  
APPLICANT USHAW COLLEGE  
PROPOSED LISTED BUILDING CONSENT FOR REPOINTING  
REPAIR AND CONSERVATION OF MASONRY  
AND WINDOW REPAIRS TO SOUTH WING  
AT USHAW COLLEGE, ESH, CO.DURHAM

**E**

No. FC/1/2005/0828/DMLB  
APPLICANT USHAW COLLEGE  
PROPOSED LISTED BUILDING CONSENT FOR REPAIRS  
TO PART OF ROOF  
AT USHAW COLLEGE, ESH, CO. DURHAM

That no objections to the above five planning applications, subject to adjacent owners being consulted and to their comments being taken into consideration before making a decision on each case.

117/05 Reports

- a) EQUaL Partnership Meeting
- i) No Report
- b) Parish
- i) Quebec Play Area

Existing equipment has been removed, work has commenced on installing the new play equipment.

Three quotations have been received for the installation of the tarmac footpath :-

Firm A £840

Firm B £795

Firm C £700

It was agreed to accept the quotation for £700 (Derwentside District Council)

Insurance costs for this financial year would be £331.38.

It was agreed to remove the tree that was in line with the proposed footpath and plant a further two trees on the site (as appropriate).

ii) Esh Play Area

One piece of existing equipment has been removed, work has commenced on installing the new play equipment.

It was agreed to negotiate with the successful contractor (at Quebec) based on the rates for the tarmac footpath.

Removal of bark and laying of grass matting – awaiting revised costings.

A quotation for the work to the entrance gradient has been received from Wharton Landscape At the cost of £135, it was agreed to accept this quotation.

Insurance costs for this financial year would be £87.02.

iii) Winter Gritting

It was agreed to negotiate with existing contractors and carry out this work as and when required to the agreed areas. Details would be in the next edition of Esh Leaves and also notices will be displayed in the local shops.

iv) Film “A Captains Tale”

It was agreed that the Clerk to obtain further details and report back to a future meeting of the Parish Council.

c) District

Councillor Tyrie reported:-

i) Phase 3 of the District Council’s CCTV initiative.

ii) Refuse Collection and Recycling Service.

iii) Bowey Homes Development.

iv) Wind Farm Development at Satley/Tow Law Area.

v) Insurance claims made against Derwentside District Council.

339 claims were made between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2004 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005.

£82,181.38 was made as payments in settlement.

vi) Private Hire and Hackney Carriage Vehicles Check.

Check on 60 vehicles was carried out on 27<sup>th</sup> July, only 2 were found to be below the required standard and dealt with accordingly.

vii) Derwentside C.A.B.

Year 2004/05 the bureau dealt with 21,452 enquiries.

Councillor Coulson reported:-

i) Surestart

ii) Smoke – free Derwentside.

iii) Alcohol restricted zone at Dipton.

iv) ASB Unit (north area) Telephone 0191 3752614

v) Pest Control Service – 400 calls during June/July 2005.

vi) Gravestones – work to commence soon.

d) County Council

Councillor Armstrong reported:-

- i) Complaints received from residents of Wood View, Langley Park.
  - ii) Allotments at Quebec.
  - iii) Roadwork's progress near Stringer Terrace.
  - iv) Bollards erected in Langley Park.
  - v) Sign in Esh Village (Catholic Church)
  - vi) New library provision – Update (article in Esh Leaves)
  - vii) Temporary library provision – Update (article in Esh Leaves)
  - viii) Park and Ride – Update (article in Esh Leaves)
- Clerk to write to the County Council to clarify parking/tickets/walking into work.
- ix) MUGA, Esh – Update on overhead cables works.
  - x) Urban Renaissance – Update (article in Esh Leaves)

118/05 Christmas Tree Arrangements

It was agreed to “switch on” the lights at Langley Park on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2005. The Clerk to make arrangements with the relevant organisations.

119/05 Remembrance Day Arrangements

The Clerk reported on the arrangements for Remembrance Day Services within the Parish:-

- 9.15 am Esh – Church of England
- 10.45am Quebec – St John the Baptist
- 10.20am Langley Park – Meet at Wood View Community Centre (march onto memorial)
- 10.30am Langley Park – War Memorial (march onto church)
- 11.00am Langley Park – All Saints Church Service (march back to Wood View for refreshments)

Parish Council Representation

- Esh Councillor Sands (to confirm)
- Quebec Councillor Crow (to confirm)
- Langley Park Councillor Mollen

120/05 Financial Statements and Report

After receiving details of financial details (V154 to V177) should be paid and where appropriate confirm the Chairman/Clerk action in issuing cheques in advance of the meeting.

121/05 Grass Cutting Contract 2006

The present contract expires at the end of this year. It was agreed for the Clerk to obtain at least four tenders to carry out this work and to report the details to January/February meeting. The contract should be awarded based on the successful tenderer negotiating a competitive rate increase for the following two years (subject to satisfactory working arrangements).

122/05 Date and Time of the Next Meeting

To be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2005 at 7.00pm in the Parish Room, Church Street Community Centre, Langley Park.

Meeting finished 8.20pm