

Esh Parish Council Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th February 2018 at the Miners Institute, Church Street, Langley Park at 19:00. Meeting commenced at 19:00.

Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council

1. Co-option requests

Mr Malcolm Renneberg, Mrs Ollie Moat and Mr Stuart Wilkinson signed the declaration of acceptance of office and welcomed onto the Council as co-opted Members.

2. Record of attendance

Cllr. Linda Bushell, Cllr. Ryan Drion, Cllr, Rita Moralee, Cllr. Claire Lund, Cllr. Donna Smailes, Cllr. Edwin Simpson, Cllr. Richard Bowyer, Cllr. Malcolm Renneberg, Cllr. Ollie Moat and Cllr. Stuart Wilkinson

County Councillor Mike McGaun
County Councillor Arnie Simpson

Clerk; Patricia Embleton

3. Apologies of absence

Apologies have been received and accepted by Council by the following Councillors;

Cllr. Siobhan Kennedy – Personal commitments

4. Declarations of Interest

Newly co-opted Cllr. Wilkinson noted that he is a member of Esh Village Residents Association.

5. Minutes from the previous meeting of the 9th January 2018.

Signed as a true record, with amendment to typo animal. Item 11.

6. Matters arising



7. County Councillors report

Cllr. Mike McGaun delivered the Councillors report to Council which included;

- Preferred site of County Hall as the Sands Carpark in Durham.
- Alabama Rot in dogs within County Durham
- Closure of Whorlton Bridge, over the River Tees near Barnard Castle
- Update on closure of Ivy Terrace, Langley Park, has been closed for one week to traffic and pedestrians due to an "unknown" substance found in the drains.
- Noted, Planning had been received in Witton Gilbert to widen an access road into the field off the main road A691.

Cllr. Richard Bowyer requested an update regarding the planning at Wallnook and no update could be provided at this time. They were unaware that surface water test had been carried out.

To allow Andrew Turnbull, Small Holder to speak and leave the meeting the Chair and Council have agreed to deal his request within agenda item 15 out of order.

OUT OF ORDER 15. Small Holdings at the Crescent, request to erect a temp, animal shelter to hold two sheep. Andrew Turnbull.

Permission was granted to Andrew to erect such a temporary structure to house the sheep, such a building must be the stated sizes. Verbally acknowledged. Clerk to send written confirmation.

8. Fields in Trust, Old Rec, Centenary Field, Deed of dedication update

The Deed has now been signed and returned to the Fields in Trust Solicitor for completion. Cllr. Richard Bowyer gave congratulations to Cllr. Rita Moralee for seeing through the process alongside the Clerk.

9. Zurich Insurance renewal savings

The Insurance has now been renewed, with changes and removal of items, the premium has now been reduced by just under £1000, this includes the insurance for the Miners Institute Building. The Council agreed to a Long-Term Agreement of 3 years.

10. CISWO lease and final amendments

It was agreed that all the changes and level of rent has been agreed. The break-out clause is to be removed, Clerk to progress and report to next meeting of the Council.

11. New Logo for the Parish Council, The Council of the Parish of Esh.

New logo design ideas to be took to next meeting of the Council and preferred name agreed as The Council of the Parish of Esh.



12. Renewal of Lockup/ Garage/workshop to the rear of Garden Ave, Langley Park, Consideration of proposal from existing tenant.

It was resolved that the current occupant of the Garage will be issued with a final 6 months from April 2018 with the view of them exiting at the end of September 2018. Alternate interested parties, wishing for a Long-term licence to occupy will be contacted by the Clerk and provisional arrangements made. Clerk to issue letter to existing tenants.

13. Notice Board replacement quotes for consideration

3 quotes were produced to Council for consideration. The quotes were for powder coated black satin notice boards with an arc header board, decorative legs and finals.

Council resolved to accept the quote provided by Singscape Limited. Clerk to activate order process and obtain proofs for art work. The Header Board is to read; The Council of the Parish of Esh. Clerk to email members proof to vote on suitable text and design.

14. Risk Assessment & Financial Policy review

The Risk Assessment & Financial Policy has been reviewed and was accepted at Council.

15. Small Holdings at the Crescent, request to erect a temp. animal shelter to hold 2 sheep – Andrew Turnbull. Request from Lynsey Smith to take a digger onsite to move existing woodpile and dispose of appropriately

A letter was received requesting formal permission from the Council. Resolved that permission can be granted as long as the appropriate authorities are made aware of the fire. The works should aim to complete in six weeks.

Meeting closed at 20:25

Signed as a true record of the meeting  13th March 2018

Part B Confidential Matters

16. Minutes from previous meeting

Minutes of Part B of the meeting of the 9th January 2018 were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting.

17. Matters arising

18. Financial Training proposal from Mick Waterson

Agreed as acceptable and the Clerk to arrange with Mick with an agreed budget of £600.00.

21. Payments made/to make.

Resolved as accepted, to be paid.

Meeting closed at 20:55

Signed as a true record of the meeting R. Marley 13th March 2018