

Lanchester Parish Council

**Minutes of the Finance, Development and General Purposes Committee
held in the Conference Room in Park House, Lanchester on Wednesday
30 March 2011 at 7.15 pm**

Present Mr C Burton (Chair)

Mr K Harrison, Mr O Johnson, Mr S Walker, Mr P Jackson
Mrs M Gray, Mr M Wardle, Mr M Clarke, Mr A Myers

Apologies Apologies for absence were received as follows:

Mr K Leary - other commitments

Mr B Glass - other commitments

The above apologies were received and accepted

89/11 Declaration of Interest

No declarations of interest were received

90/11 Public Participation

There were no press or public present.

91/11 Budget Position

The Lead Officer presented the finance information including a projected year end position. Members were informed that the invoice for the by-election was outstanding

Recommended - that the report be received

Members were informed that the end of year financial information report, and the external audit and internal audit information would be compiled after 31 March.

92/11 Locality Map

Members considered the progress report detailing activity between 1 January and 28 February 2011 along with committed spend until 31 March 2011.

Recommended - that the report be received

93/11 Village Green

Members were informed of the progress on the project including the installation of the tree seat and notice board on the main green and the completion of the tree works to the main green. The work on the footpath has almost been completed and is awaiting the delivery of the safety barrier before the final section can be installed. It is hoped that the works will be completed by the end of April.

Resolved - that a notice is placed in the notice board explaining the delay in the works

Members were informed that the funding agreement with CDENT had been extended until 13 May.

The main outstanding works are the surface improvements in front of the Church.

Resolved - to arrange a meeting with Durham County Council to confirm the detail of the works to be undertaken

Members discussed the planting of additional trees along the route

Resolved - to discuss at a recreation meeting

Members discussed options for a launch of the new facility. Options included children walking the circular route, refreshments on the green, maypole dancing, morris dancing, cutting of ribbons etc.

Resolved - that the launch event be organised and be held after 21 May

94/11 Christmas Lights

Members discussed information received from a company providing Christmas Lights.

Resolved that:

(i) contact is made with a representative in Staindrop to enquire about their arrangements for Christmas Lights

(ii) contact is made with a representative in Tow Law to enquire about their wall mounted Christmas lights

95/11 Date of next meeting

Recommended - that the next meeting be held on Wednesday 25 May at 7.15pm in the Conference Room at Park House

Business concluded at 8.30pm