

Lanchester Parish Council

Minutes of the Finance, Development and General Purposes Committee held at Lynwood House on Wednesday 27 May 2015 at 7.15 pm

Present Mr C Burton (Chair)

Mr M Wardle, Mr O Johnson, Mr K Harrison

Apologies Apologies for absence were received as follows:

Mr S Walker - other commitments

Mr B Glass - away

Mr B Gray - away

Mrs M Gray - away

The above apologies were received and accepted

127/15 Election of Chair

Resolved - that Mr C Burton be elected as Chairperson for the ensuing year.

128/15 Election of Vice Chair

Resolved - that Mr M Wardle be elected as Vice Chairperson for the ensuing year.

129/15 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

130/15 Public Participation

There were no public present

131/15 Budget Position

The Lead Officer presented the finance report.

Recommended - that the report be received

132/15 Hanging Baskets

Members discussed the hanging basket requirements and the quote received.

Recommended - that the hanging baskets be supplied by P. Snowdon for the forthcoming year.

133/15 Tree Replacement

Members discussed the recent tree survey which recommended the felling of two trees

Recommended - that prices are sought for the planting of two appropriate trees to replace those felled

134/15 Play Equipment Maintenance

Members discussed the repairs to play equipment at Park House and Kitswell Park.

Recommended that:

- (i) Expenditure is approved for the necessary repairs
- (ii) Prices are sought for a replacement goal post

135/15 Neighbourhood Plan

Mike Wardle provided an update including the award of a £4000.00 grant from Locality.

Recommended that:

- (i) The terms & conditions and due diligence forms are completed and returned
- (ii) Once the grant has been confirmed that Neighbourhood Plan-It are appointed to provide the consultancy support as detailed in the grant application

The purchase of office equipment was discussed.

Recommended - that a projector screen and set of display boards are purchased

136/15 Newsletter

Members considered the quarterly newsletter

Recommended - that the newsletter be approved for distribution

137/15 Training – Councillors and Chairs

Members were informed of a training session to be provided by County Durham and Cleveland County Training Partnership

Recommended - that the information be received

138/15 Summer Holiday Activities

Members were informed of the proposed summer holiday activities organised by the Area Action Partnership. Lanchester would receive 6 environmental play sessions and 6 multi-sport sessions. The sessions would be free to children. The Area Action Partnership have asked if the Parish Council could contribute £200.00 towards the scheme.

Recommended - that a contribution of £200.00 is made towards the scheme

139/15 Date of next meeting

Recommended - that the next Finance, Development & General Purposes Committee meeting be held on Wednesday 29 July at 7.15pm at Lynwood House

Business concluded at 8.00pm