# **Lanchester Parish Council**

## Minutes of the Finance, Development and General Purposes Committee held at Lynwood House on Wednesday 25 November 2015 at 7.15 pm

Present	Mr M Wardle (Chair)
	Mr O Johnson, Mr K Leary, Mr S Walker, Mr P Jackson, Mr K Harrison, Mrs A Cook,
Apologies	Apologies for absence were received as follows:
	Mr C Burton - ill The above apologies were received and accepted
251/15	Declaration of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest
252/15	Public Participation
	The policy was distributed for the benefit of the public present.
253/15	Vice Chair
	Members considered the appointment of a second Vice Chair.
	<b>Resolved -</b> that Mr S Walker be elected as a second Vice Chairperson for the Finance, Development and General Purposes Committee for the remainder of the year.
254/15	Budget Position
	The Lead Officer presented the finance report. <b>Recommended -</b> that the report be received
255/15	Website

Work continues on developing a new website which will be fit for purpose. The new website will be live shortly.

## **Recommended that:**

- (i) the information is received
- (ii) an expenses payment of £50.00 is made to the volunteer working on the website

### 256/15 Christmas Lights Switch On Event

Members were informed that arrangements for the Christmas Light Switch On event had been made. The event would take place between 5.30 pm – 6.15 pm on Saturday 28 November and include music by Lanchester Brass Band and Lanchester Choral & Operatic Society. Refreshments would be provided for adults and children along with a small gift for the children. The switch on will take place at 6.00pm and will involve local school children

#### **Recommended that:**

- (i) the update is received
- (ii) a donation of £90.00 is paid to Lanchester Brass Band and Lanchester Choral & Operatic Society

## 257/15 Budgets 2015/16 and 2016/17

The Lead Officer presented the budget report.

The proposed budget for 2016/17 was considered. It was agreed to increase the General Repairs & Maintenance budget to accommodate some recently identified fencing works at Kitswell Park.

**Recommended** - that the budget is agreed subject to the General Repairs & Maintenance budget being increased to  $\pounds5000.00$ 

#### 258/15 Date of next meeting

**Recommended -** that the next Finance, Development & General Purposes Committee meeting be held on Wednesday 27 January at 7.15pm at Lynwood House

#### **Business concluded at 7.40pm**