

Lanchester Parish Council

Minutes of the Finance, Development and General Purposes Committee held at Lynwood House on Wednesday 26 September 2018 at 7.15 pm

Present Cllr. S Walker (Chair)
Cllr. O Johnson, Cllr. I Tute, Cllr. D Smith, Cllr. P Jackson,
Cllr. K Harrison, Cllr. M Gray, Cllr. D Friesner, Cllr. B Gray

Apologies Apologies for absence were received as follows:

Cllr. M Walker - work commitments
Cllr. J Considine - ill
Cllr. A Cook - ill
Cllr. A Gray - work commitments

The above apologies were received and accepted

229/18 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

230/18 Public Participation

There were no public present.

231/18 Finance Report

The Clerk presented the finance report which Members discussed.

Recommended - that the information be received.

232/18 War Memorial Project

Members were informed that building work had commenced on the War Memorial. A local company 'Art of Stone' will undertake the works. Following the last consultation, the list of names for inclusion on the War Memorial had been finalised. The marble panels were being designed and proofed.

A service to rededicate the War Memorial is being arranged for Friday 19 October at 2.00pm. The Lord Lieutenant of Durham, Mrs Sue Snowdon will attend the service. Local groups/organisations and schools have been invited to attend. A programme of service will be printed and it was agreed that 300 copies would probably be sufficient.

Work continues to organise the event.

Recommended - that the information be received

233/18 WW1 Beacons of Light – 11 November 2018

Members were provided with information on the progress of this joint project with Burnhope Parish Council. The project will involve lighting a beacon at 7pm on 11 November 2018 at Burnhope Picnic Area.

The Safety Advisory Group have signed off the event and a licence agreement is due from the County Council.

Arrangements have been made for First Aid cover, lighting, coach hire, volunteer stewards, Village Voice articles, promotion posters, photographer, Piper, Trumpeter etc.

The beacon brazier is currently being made.

Work continues to organise the event.

Recommended - that the information be received

234/18 Dementia Friendly Communities

Lanchester Parish Council is involved in a project to encourage the community to become more dementia friendly. The project will be co-ordinated through the Area Action Partnership and Alzheimer's Society. Lanchester will be one of the first communities to receive support from an Officer to progress the project.

A dementia friendly event will be held on Tuesday 2 October at 11am at the Community Centre. The event will provide information and workshops and provide an opportunity to become a dementia friend. It is hoped that some people attending the event will form a steering group and develop a plan to progress the project.

Members were asked to inform members of the community about the event and encourage people to attend.

Recommended - that the information be received

235/18 Christmas Light Switch On Event

Proposals for the Christmas Light Switch On event for 2018 had been discussed at the last meeting. It had been agreed that the

event should be similar to last year and the quantities of toys, refreshments etc. had been agreed.

Members considered who to ask to switch on the lights

Recommended - that Mr Eric Hepplewhite be asked to formally switch on the Christmas Lights this year

236/18 Date of next meeting

The next Finance, Development & General Purposes Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 30 January at 7.15pm at Lynwood House

The meeting concluded at 8.00pm