# **Lanchester Parish Council**

# Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at Lynwood House on Tuesday 9 April 2019 at 7.20pm

### Present Cllr. K Harrison (Chair)

Cllr. A Cook, Cllr. D Friesner, Cllr. D Smith, Cllr. T Jones, Cllr. P Jackson, Cllr. S Walker, Cllr. I Tute, Cllr. O Johnson

Barrie Alderson - Durham County Council

# **Apologies** Apologies for absence were received as follows:

Cllr. K Leary - ill

Cllr. B Gray - family commitments
Cllr. J Considine - family commitments
Cllr. A Gray - family commitments
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#### 79/19 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

# 80/19 Public Participation

There were no public present.

# 81/19 Minutes of the last meeting

#### Resolved that:

(i) the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12 March 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson and any recommendations contained therein be approved and accepted

#### 82/19 Committees

#### Resolved that:

the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 12 March 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson and any recommendations contained therein be approved and accepted

#### 83/19 Manor Grange Play Area (min 33/19)

Barrie Alderson from Durham County Council attended the meeting to provide an update on explorations to provide an improved play area at Manor Grange.

A site meeting had taken place with a play company who has provided an example design with costs for a relocated play area towards the bottom of the grassed area below the existing play area.

Members were shown a design of a play area which included: cut and fill into the hillside to provide a level site, reinforcement works, a soakaway to address drainage, a fenced and gated play area with examples of play equipment and a pathway to access the play area. The play area would provide equipment for 0 - 12 year olds.

Indicative costs had been received for the scheme.

The Parish Council now have indicative costs for a scheme. The size of scheme and quantities of play equipment can be adjusted to reflect budget.

The Parish Council need to secure appropriate funding to deliver the project. Applications for grants from Durham County Council Area Budget and Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget have been progressed. A lease for the land needs to be progressed with Durham County Council. Durham County Council would be able to manage the procurement process on behalf of the Parish Council. There would be a need to consult with the community to agree a design brief.

#### Resolved that:

- (i) the information be received
- (ii) the project be referred to the Recreation Committee to progress

# 84/19 Police Report

The Police report for March provided by PCSO Lisa Cullen-Jackson was read out which included the following incidents:

- theft of copper hot water cylinder from a rear garden in Burnhopeside Avenue. CCTV has been obtained and circulated.
- Theft of excavator from a disused quarry on the A68
- Garage burglary at Maiden Law where a bike and golf clubs were stolen

Resolved - that the information be received

# 85/19 Correspondence

(i) The Clerk Magazine – March edition
Resolved - that the magazine be received

# Area Action Partnership (AAP) / Parish Councils Committee (PCC) (min 59/19)

Members were informed that the projects included in the Environmental Improvement Pot which included wild flowers at Malton and the planting of wild flowers along the side of the Smallhope Burn were being progressed with the County Council.

The Parish Council confirmed their contribution of £300.00 towards the 2019 Summer Activity Play Schemes and asked that the publicity ensures that all areas of the community benefit from the activities.

Resolved - that the information be received

#### 87/19 Neighbourhood Plan (min 60/19)

**Resolved -** that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 March be approved

Members were informed that a further meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group will take place on 10 April to progress the plan.

Final amendments are being made. The maps and photos are being finalised.

It is planned to present the final draft document to the Parish Council at their meeting on 14 May. It is planned to undertake the first 6 week consultation during June / July.

Resolved - that the information be received

#### 88/19 Durham County Council – Proposed Traffic Regulation Order

Members considered the proposed Traffic Regulation Order to address parking and traffic issues in the village.

**Resolved -** that the Parish Council supports the proposals

#### 89/19 Defibrillator

Members were informed that the defibrillator and cabinet had been purchased and would be delivered in the next few weeks. Following delivery the cabinet would be erected on the outside wall of the pharmacy and an electrician would wire it in. An awareness session would be arranged for members of the community to attend.

#### Resolved - that the information be received

Members were informed that correspondence had been received from the cricket club asking for permission to install a defibrillator on the exterior of the club house.

Resolved - that permission is granted

# **90/19** Grass Cutting 2019

Members were informed that following a meeting with the contractor the price for grass cutting for 2019 had been agreed.

Resolved - that the information be received

#### 91/19 Financial Information

The Lead Officer presented report D. **Resolved** - that the report be received

# 92/19 Accounts for Payment

**Resolved -** that the following accounts be approved for payment:

CCL Office Ltd Marmax Products On-line Playgrounds Olivers Tree Services BT S Laverick EP Primary School	Office chair Bench Play parts Tree Work Phone & Broadband Expenses Donation	£167.40 £166.80 £84.00 £306.00 £214.84 £229.15 £100.00
RC Primary School	Newsletter distribution Donation Newsletter distribution Donation	£100.00 £140.00
Willow Burn Hospice The Lanchester Partnership Lanchester Parochial Church All Saints Parish Centre	Donation Donation Donation	£140.00 £140.00 £200.00 £140.00
1 <sup>st</sup> Lanchester Guiding D Maddox S Laverick D Maddox Durham County Council HMRC	Donation Salary (January) Salary (March) Salary (March) Pension (March) Tax & NI (Jan – March)	£140.00 £235.20 £1335.21 £435.20 £413.96 £1276.83

# 93/19 Chairperson's Announcements

There were no announcements

# 94/19 Questions from Members – Information only

There were no questions from members

# 95/19 Date of next meeting

**Resolved -** that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council will take place on Tuesday 14 May at Lynwood House following the Annual Meeting at 7.15pm

Meeting ended at 8.40pm