

Lanchester Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at Lynwood House on Tuesday
9 December 2014 at 7.15pm

Present Mr O Johnson (Chair)

Mr C Burton, Mr P Jackson, Mr K Leary,
Mr K Harrison, Mr S Walker, Mr M Wardle,
Mr A Nairn, Mrs M Gray, Mr B Glass

Apologies Apologies for absence were received as follows:

Mrs A Cook	- ill
Mr B Gray	- work commitments
Mr Peter Richardson	- away
Mr Philip Richardson	- away
Mrs J Richardson	- away

The above apologies were received and accepted

275/14 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

276/14 **Public Participation**

The public participation policy was distributed for the benefit of the public present.

277/14 **Minutes of the last meeting**

Resolved that:

(i) the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 11 November 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson

278/14 **Committees**

Resolved that:

(i) the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 11 November 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson and any recommendations contained therein be approved and accepted

(ii) the minutes of the Finance, Development & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 26 November 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson and any recommendations contained therein be approved and accepted

279/14 Police Report and Neighbourhood Warden report

Resolved that:

- (i) The Police report for November and December be received
- (ii) The Neighbourhood Warden report for October be received

280/14 Correspondence

(i) War Memorials Trust - Bulletin - November

Resolved - that the magazine be received

(ii) Operation Stop It – Fly Tipping

Resolved that:

- (i) the information be received
- (ii) a poster be displayed in the notice board
- (iii) the information be passed to the Village Voice

(iii) Lanchester Village Centre Improvements - Durham County Council

A letter of thanks had been received from the county council regarding the Parish Councils contribution to the village centre improvements

Resolved - that the letter be received

(iv) Durham County Council – Lanchester Bowling Club (min 231/14)

Members considered the response received from Durham County Council

Resolved that:

- (i) The letter be received
- (ii) A copy of the letter be forwarded to the bowls club

(v) Removal of BT public call boxes (min 229/14)

Resolved - that the information be received

281/14 Area Action Partnership (AAP) / Parish Councils Committee (PCC) (min 249/14)

Members received an update on the recent meeting.

Members considered nominations for a representative on the County Durham Association of Local Councils Committee

Resolved - that any interested Members contact the Clerk

Members discussed joint working arrangements with particular reference to grass cutting contracts. Members agreed that they were happy with current arrangements

282/14 Village Green Bus Shelter (min 252/14)

Members were informed that paint and signage had now been secured. The paint would be applied in the New Year

Resolved – that the information be received

283/14 Car Park in front of Parish Church

Members considered a request from the Parochial Church Council to improve/extend the parking area. Members discussed the restrictions that a Village Green site brings along with the need to protect it. Members felt that there was nothing that could be done at this time.

Resolved - that the Parochial Church Council is informed

284/14 Durham County Council – Budget Consultation 2015/16

Members considered the information

Resolved - that the information be received

285/14 Financial Information

The Lead Officer presented report F

Resolved - that the report be received

286/14 Accounts for Payment

Resolved - that the following accounts be approved for payment:

CCL Office Ltd	Stationery	£29.17
BT	Phone	£155.97
Lanchester Brass Band	Christmas Event	£90.00
Lanchester Choral & Operatic	Christmas Event	£90.00
ICON	Signage - Cricket Club Grant	£146.10
S Laverick	Salary (November)	£1209.93
D Maddox	Salary (November)	£387.34
Durham County Council	Pension (November)	£367.07
S Laverick	Expenses	£224.35
Lanchester Brass Band	Banner Event	£100.00
County Durham Training Part.	Training Course	£27.00
CCL Office Ltd	Stationery	£178.55
Awesome Merchandise Ltd	Banner products	£280.00
AD Purves Landscaping	Grass Cutting	£5148.00

287/14 Chairperson's Announcements

The Chair spoke about the recent Christmas Light Switch On event and the favourable comments that have been received. The event would be discussed at the next Finance Meeting.

Resolved - that letters of thanks are sent to the volunteers who worked on the event.

288/14 Questions from Members – Information only

Members had received notification of a public exhibition on a proposed wind turbine development.

289/14 Date of next meeting

Resolved - that the next Ordinary meeting of the Council be held on Tuesday 13 January 2015 at 7.15pm at Lynwood House

Meeting ended at 8.15 pm