

Lanchester Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at Lynwood House on Tuesday 11 July 2023 at 7.00pm

Present Cllr. K Harrison (Chair)

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

One member of the public

Apologies Apologies for absence were received as follows:

Cllr. E Hepplewhite	- away
Cllr. J Considine	- other commitments
Cllr. D Toner	- other commitments
Cllr. V Jackson	- other commitments
Cllr. A Gray	- work commitments
Cllr. L Montgomery	- other commitments

The above apologies were received and approved.

105/23 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

106/23 **Public Participation**

Members of the public were welcome to the meeting.

107/23 **Minutes of the last meeting**

Resolved that:

- (i) the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13 June 2023 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson and any recommendations contained therein be approved and accepted.

108/23 **Police Report**

To receive information from the meeting with PCSO Jonathan Rutherford held on Wednesday 14 June 2023

Resolved that:

- (i) the information be received.

109/23 Correspondence

- (i) Letter of thanks – The Lanchester Partnership**
Resolved - that the letter be received
- (ii) Clerk & Councils Direct Magazine – July**
Resolved - that the magazine be received
- (iii) Durham County Council – Christmas Lights 2023**
Councillors considered the price received for annual work to the Christmas Lights on the Village Green
Resolved - that the works are booked at a cost of £1,429.26

110/23 Durham County Councillors

County Cllr. M McGaun sent his apologies.
County Cllr. D Oliver sent his apologies.

111/23 Lanchester Cricket Club

The Councillors were given an update on the signage situation.

Resolved – the Clerk and Councillor David Friesner to progress with the signage for the Cricket Club.

112/23 Kitswell Park Play Area

To discuss the quotes

Resolved – the swings are to be repaired as soon as possible in time for the summer holidays

113/23 Summer Holiday Activities – Park House Play Area

Resolved – permission was granted for Park House Play Area to be used for free children’s summer activities.

114/23 Kitswell Park Play Area – Annual Inspection

Councillors were informed that the Annual Inspection for Kitswell Park Play Area had been completed. No major or high risk problems were raised, however a number of maintenance issues need to be undertaken.

The Annual Play Inspections for the remaining four play areas will be undertaken by Durham County Council.

Resolved - that the report be received and identified works be addressed. A meeting with Durham County Council to be arranged for advice.

115/23 Tree Surveys

Members considered the tree surveys undertaken on the Village Green, Kitswell Park and at the allotments site behind Durham Road.

Resolved – a site visit with Olivers to go through the surveys to be arranged.

116/23 Financial Information

The Clerk presented the report.

Resolved – that the report be approved.

117/23 Accounts for Payment

Resolved - that the following accounts be approved for payment:

D Maddox	Salary (June)	£610.09
L Dodd	Salary (June)	£1400.37
Durham County Council	Pension (June)	£425.30
HMRC	PAYE/NI (April – June)	£925.14
Tribune	Stationery	£265.14
AD Purves Landscaping	Grass Cutting	£2841.60
Durham County Council	Trade Waste Service	£314.82

118/23 Chairperson's Announcement

There were no Chairpersons announcements.

119/23 Date of next meeting

Resolved – that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council will take place on Tuesday 12th September at 7.00pm

Meeting ended at 8:10pm