

KIMBLESWORTH AND PLAWSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings at the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held in Nettlesworth Community Centre on Thursday 8 December 2016 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors A Holden, D Inman, D Bruce, M Toms, R Harrison, G Kendall and J Barclay.

89 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Morton, Kingston and Walker.

90 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 10 NOVEMBER 2016

RESOLVED: "That the minutes of the proceedings at the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 10 November 2016, be confirmed as a correct record".

It was noted that there had as of yet been no response from Changing Lives in relation to the maintaining of the planters.

It was noted that the shipping container was still in position and appeared to be being used, an update would be sought from Councillor Wilson.

The Newsletter would now not be published until the New Year due to a lack of forthcoming articles.

91 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Inman, Bruce and Barclay declared an interest in the grant application which was to be considered later in the meeting.

92 ISSUES/QUESTIONS – GENERAL PUBLIC

There were no members of the public in attendance.

93 POLICE MATTERS

There were no representatives from the Police in attendance.

94 ROYAL GARDEN PARTIES

Correspondence had been received from CDALC seeking nominations from local Councils for Members to send to the Royal Garden Parties in 2017. All nominations would be entered into a draw.

95 PRECEPT/BUDGET REQUIREMENTS 2017/18

The Clerk advised Members that the precept for the forthcoming financial year needed to be agreed as a demand would need to be served on the County Council by the end of January 2017. As such it was agreed that the item should be deferred until the January meeting.

96 ACCOUNTS

Consideration was given to a grant application which had been submitted by Kimblesworth & Nettlesworth Community Task Force which sought £550 to run a Snuggles Project (for copy of application see file of Minutes). After presenting the grant application, Councillors Barclay, Bruce and Inman left the room while the application was considered by remaining Members.

The remaining Members noted that despite only £550 being requested, the total cost of both events was just £700. After due consideration, Councillor Harrison moved that the Parish contribute £600.00 to facilitate the project, this was seconded by Councillor Toms. Upon a vote being taken it was **RESOLVED** to donate £600.00 in order that the Community Task Force could facilitate the project.

Councillors Barclay, Bruce and Inman rejoined the meeting. It was requested that should the project not run then the money be returned to the Council and Members would also welcome an update as to the projects success.

RESOLVED: "That authority be granted for payment of the following accounts:

Community Task Force - £600.00 – Donation

Kimblesworth & Plawsworth Community Association - £26.00 – Room Hire

J Lawton - £525.91 – Salary

HMRC – 134.71 – PAYE Deductions

J Lawton - £35.37 - Mileage".

97 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

There was nothing to report.

98 WORKING GROUP REPORTS

Allotments – The Chairman made Council aware of recent advice released by DEFRA in the wake of a bird flu epidemic. It was noted that those keeping fowl should be keeping their birds indoors for a period of 30 days. This was to be communicated to all allotment holders.

99 CDALC

Councillor Harrison provided an update in relation to CDALC and also took the opportunity to provide an update in relation to a recent meeting of the Durham County Council Standards Committee.

100 COMMUNITY CENTRE REPORT

Councillors Barclay provided an update in relation to the Community Centre. Issues with the heating and boiler were to be addressed and part of the building was to be refurbished. A new Constitution was to be considered at an Extraordinary meeting at the end of January. Both Christmas events were well in hand and there were plans to start holding a regular luncheon club. Councillor Bruce advised of a free Food Hygiene Training Course to be held on 5 January 2017.

101 PARISH NEWSLETTER

There was nothing to report.

102 PLANNING

There were no planning applications for consideration.

Signed_____

Chairman