

# Gainford & Langton

## MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

**PRESENT:**

**COUNCILLORS:** L. Johnstone (Chair), S. Hannan, M. Charge, S. Platten, R. Logan,  
J. Grundy, J. Coomer, M. Roff  
Clerk: M. Clark

**Visitors:**

Teesdale Mercury

**Public Participation:**

No members of the public present

**AGENDA**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies were tendered and approved for Cllr Smith (work)

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:**

None declared

**3. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 7 OCTOBER 2019:**

**RESOLVED:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 7 October 2019 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Logan and seconded by Cllr Grundy

**4. PROGRESS REPORT:**

The Christmas tree on the green was referred too – a request will be made to Raby Estates for a tree.

Christmas tree for the 'island' has been ordered.

**RESOLVED:** The Clerks report was noted.

**5. CHAIRS REPORT:**

The Chair referred to the continuing progress of the sports sessions, Parish News, and a proposed meeting with Potential Planning.

**6. REVIEW OF 2019 BONFIRE & FIREWORKS EVENT:**

- Getting volunteers to help build the bonfire and set things up was an issue this year but thanks to all those that mucked in

- The event went well with generally a good atmosphere
- Reduced numbers on previous years
- The issue of 'guests' going down to the vicarage after the road closure would not be accepted next year due to health and safety. As the road closure is advertised for at least 8 days before the event is enough notice for all residents.
- Positive feedback from the use of stickers
- Early indications the bucket collections will be around £2,000 and with the £560 from catering this covers the firework cost.

## **7. FINANCE REPORT:**

### 7.1 The November Financial Report

The Clerk advised members of additional invoices requiring approval:

M. Roff (seeds/fertiliser for green)	£30.98
Great North Air Ambulance (donation)	£200.00
J. Pedelty (fire engine)	£150.00

**RESOLVED:** The November Financial Report and payments were proposed as a true record by Cllr Coomer and seconded by Cllr Platten

## **8. LOCAL MAINTENANCE:**

- Footpath besides the surgery – could additional hardcore be laid. Action: Clerk to speak to Mr Ryman
- Overhanging trees on Teesdale Way (Snow Hall to railway bridge)
- Hedging on the recreation field (down to cemetery) needs cutting

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE:**

CDALC – 2020 Garden party nominations. Cllr Johnstone was put forward for the draw.

## **10. PLANNING INCLUDING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING UPDATES:**

No new planning applications.

Confirmation was given for the meeting with Planning Potential.

## **11. REMEMBRANCE SERVICE:**

Due to Cllr Johnstone being unavailable this year, Cllr Hannan will lay the wreath on behalf on the council.

## **12. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS:**

Monday 2 December 2019 (Committee room upstairs) Gainford Village Hall

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Abbreviations: CDALC – County Durham Association of Local Councils

NP – Neighbourhood Plan

Signed.....

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