

Gainford & Langton

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2021

COUNCILLORS: A. Buckley, A. Wilkinson, M. Kennan
Hannan, Walker & Platten. **Clerk – Martin Clark**
Visitors: Teesdale Mercury

Public Participation:

No members of the public present

AGENDA

1. Acceptance, or otherwise of apologies

Apologies were submitted by Cllr's Jackson & McCall.

Resolved – That the apologies be accepted.

2. Declarations of Interest:

Members are asked to consider whether they might have a personal or a pecuniary interest in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting. If so, it is requested that any such interest be declared now. If subsequently during the consideration of any matter, it becomes apparent to any member that he/she does, indeed, have an interest, it should then be declared immediately.

Resolved – No declarations were made.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 3 November 2021

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting of the 3 November be received as a true record.

4. Finance

4.1 December reconciliation and invoices for payment.

The Clerk referred to additional invoices requiring approval:
£240 Mazars (audit costs)

Resolved – That the December Financial Report and invoices requiring payment be approved.

A discussion took place on Financial Regulation and agreed these would be reviewed to ensure invoices received are broken down by works carried out to ensure clarity. Cllr Platten and the Clerk/RFO will discuss and report back.

5. Allotments (St Peters)

Cllr Buckley referred to Breeze (contractor) had placed in the region of 30 bait boxes

around the allotments to trap vermin.

Volunteers are still being sought for the Allotment Committee (association). A further email to all tenants asking for volunteers would be produced and issued.

Resolved – that the verbal report be received.

6. Local maintenance/village issues

6.1 Received -Arborcultural report on island tree

Resolved – That quotes be obtained for the work recommended in the report.

6.2 An update was given on the repairs to the island wall.

6.3 Cllr Buckley agreed to make repairs to the main council notice board.

6.4 Reference was made to the village information board in the village and its poor state. It was agreed to remove and look at costs to replace.

6.5 Christmas tree lights/switch on – The trees will be dressed and switched on Saturday 4th December.

6.6 Cllr Kennan gave an update on her attendance at the event held by the Police & Crime Commissioner.

6.7 A discussion took place on the GAP, and improvements that would be required before reopening. This would follow that a further inspection takes place in the New Year with a view to understand what had to be removed or fixed.

Resolved – Park Lane playgrounds are requested to re-inspect the GAP, and a consultation event on youth provision (including play area) is organised for January 2022.

7. Correspondence

Submitted – Details of correspondence received

Correspondence in month –

NWG	Project Pipeline
CDALC	Climate emergency
DCC	Carved Sculptures
Raby	Updates
DCC	Digital Durham
DCC	Lumiere
CDALC	Small Council Forum

Durham Community Action	Newsletter
CDALC	Free webinar
DCC	Masterplan consultations
DCC	Save the date
NALC	Civility and respect
CDALC	Police Commissioner invitation
North Air Ambulance	Newsletter

Resolved – That the information be noted.

8. Planning

None received.

Meeting Closed

Signed.....

Dated.....

