

# **Minutes for the Meeting of Embleton Parish Council**

## **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2015 7.30pm Creighton Hall, Embleton**

**Chairman:** Terry Howells (acting clerk)

**Present:** Georgina Armstrong, David Morgan, Raymond Carss, Adam Moody, Neville Fawcett, Gordon Coxon, Richard Manners

**In Attendance:** County Councillor Kate Cairns, Andy Davis, John Young

**68 Declaration of interests**

None

**69 Apologies for absence**

Raymond Imeson

**70 Confirmation of minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2015 meeting were agreed and signed subject to a correction requested by County Councillor Kate Cairns in that item 48 - Area North Committee Report point three: the figure should read £22K not £46K

**71 Matters arising from minutes of last meeting**

It was noted that with reference to item 42 Northumbria Police had been seen recording vehicle speed through Christon Bank.

Regarding Item 44 the sub - station lease had been signed and returned.

No information was available regarding item 50 (advertising boards)

**72 Consultation on Options for the Alnwick Schools Partnership**

The proposed Parish Council response to the second consultation document had been circulated to all members. It was proposed, and accepted, to add a reference to the approved all weather multi-court to be built in the village. Subject to this addition it was proposed by Councillor Morgan and seconded by Councillor Coxon that the response be submitted; unanimously accepted. It was further accepted that copies should be sent to the NCC Director of Education, Cabinet members, the Diocesan Education Board, selected other parties and the Northumberland Gazette.

**73 Casual Vacancy**

There having been two applications to fill the casual vacancy a secret ballot was held. Councillor Armstrong acted as teller and declared John Young as the winner. Mr Young signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

#### **74 Financial Matters**

- a) Current Account Balance  
£7,793.99
  
- b) Spent & Received since 27/7/15  
£275.58 Clerk Wages & Expenses  
£58.60 HMRC - £58.60  
£12.50 Creighton Hall  
£38.00 G D Moody; Bus Shelter repairs
  
- c) Cheques required  
Creighton Hall - £12.50  
Clerk Wages & Expenses - £247.09  
HMRC PAYE - £51.80

The financial matters were unanimously accepted as per the agenda. Proposed by Councillor Howells and seconded by Councillor Fawcett; unanimously accepted.

#### **75 Planning Matters**

Details of 15/02599/FUL had been circulated. There being no objections the Parish Council will respond with a 'no comment'

#### **76 Agenda items for next meeting**

All items proposed at 27<sup>th</sup> July meeting plus:-

- Overnight parking at Dunstan Steads
- Licence to operate ice cream van at Dunstan steads

#### **77 Other Items**

- Councillor Howells reported on positive progress towards the building of a stone bus shelter
- Councillor Armstrong agreed to represent the Council at a NCC planning forum on September 15<sup>th</sup>
- Councillor Armstrong agreed to attend a play park inspection training forum at Gateshead on September 9<sup>th</sup>
- A report of a broken waste bin at the top of Front Street was noted
- It was noted that discussions are taking place within Government regarding a possible rural exemption to the 'right to buy' for low cost housing

#### **78 Time, date and venue of next meeting**

28<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 7.30 in the Church Room, Christon Bank