

Minutes for the Meeting of Embleton Parish Council

Monday 24th 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 27th 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 27th 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 15th
- Councillor Armstrong agreed to attend a play park inspection training forum at Gateshead on September 9th
- 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

28th September 2015 at 7.30 in the Church Room, Christon Bank