

MURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the COUNCIL held in THE GLEBE CENTRE, on THURSDAY, 18th APRIL 2019.

Present: Councillor T Pinkney (Chair)
Councillors J Griffiths, L Grogan, M Haswell, G Maitland, P Penman, A Page and S Ward.

Officer: LA Armstrong (Parish Clerk)

Public: Barbara Hastings.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllrs.R Adcock-Forster, A Cowley, M Errington, G Lormor, R Kelly, H Napier, L Riley and G Rennoldson.
County Councillor A Napier.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. CHAIRMANS REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed Barbara to the meeting, any member of the public is welcome to attend, if they want to address Council they can do so between 7 – 7.15pm. If there is a specific issue to discuss it would be helpful if they could contact the Clerk beforehand.

Resolved to receive the information.

4. MINUTES

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 21st March 2019.

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Copy of the minutes were circulated to members previously.

Resolved the minutes of the Parish Council meeting's be approved, confirmed and signed as an accurate record.

5. MATTERS ARISING

Pursuant to Agenda Item 8 the Clerk will contact members in May to see who will be available to attend 'Surgery' with our County Councillors which are held on first Monday and Second Wednesday of the month.

6. LOCAL COUNCIL INSURANCE POLICY SCHEDULE

Due 5th May 2019.

Resolved to renew policy following 5 year agreement agreed last year to reduce cost.

7. PROPOSED EXTINGUISHMENT OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO.27

Under provision of Section 118 of Highways Act 1980 the extinguishment is requested by the landowner as this section of footpath is not needed for public use.

Resolved that any comments or objections be received by end April.

8. SET UP OF NEW EVENTS COMMITTEE

Main events to be discussed are:

- Dementia Friendly Community Launch Tuesday 21st May.
- Armed Forces Day Saturday 22nd June.
- Murton Fun Day Saturday 31st August.

Resolved Chair, V- Chair and Cllr. Julie Griffiths be on Committee.

9. REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED

- 9.1 The Chairman and Cllr. R Kelly attended Murton Welfare Allotment Association Meeting as there were a few issues raised from a tenant. Both members were happy with information given and running of committee.
- 9.2 The Clerk informed members that following her meeting with Murton Scouts/Cubs they were very keen to lease old Bowls Pavilion and Green during summer months. There was some work needed on pavilion estimates to be sought.
- 9.3 The Clerk also informed members following a visit to Youth Centre with Chairman concerns were raised as to whether this pavilion was fit for purpose as 'Youth Centre'. Enquiries had been made from Handcraft to utilise as workshop which may be best suited. Clerk speak to Groundwork regarding Youth Work going forward and contact Handcraft to come and look at pavilion to see if it would suit their purpose.
- 9.4 Cllr. P Penman informed members that a meeting had been held with Murton Cricket Club regarding fixtures and use of Park View Pavilion for junior games discussions were still ongoing.

Resolved to receive the information.

10. MATTERS OF INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Following the incident of Fly Tipping a few weeks ago over Welfare Park Clerk has been informed that an address had been located in Murton but when wardens had attended the tenants had gone and landlord had no forwarding address so there would be no prosecution on this occasion.

10.2 Cllr. P Penman informed members following meeting with Cllr. J Maitland of the following:

- Murton Big Club site approval has been given for Mixed Retail.
- DCC will be moving to new site but slightly smaller numbers than first anticipated.
- DCC have suffered a £263 million loss in budgets since 2011 and still ongoing.
- TSB Bank on Woods Terrace will only open on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 – 5pm and Saturday morning 9 - 1pm going forward.

Resolved to receive the information.

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11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following proposed applications were received:

- Erection of detached garage and workshop at Dene Villa, Dene Terrace.
- Erection of first floor extension to front 35 Church Lane.
- Erection of single storey outbuilding to side elevation of property for storage at 26 Douglas Way.

12. FINANCIAL MATTERS

12.1 Monthly Accounts and Wages.

Details of receipts and payments made in the past month were reported as follows:

Total of Accounts Received	£ 3,965.00
Total of Accounts Passed for Payment	£ 15,216.90
Total Wage Bill for the Month of March	£ 13,299.41
Contribution to Murton Welfare Assn.	£ 6,000.00

The Council supports the Community Centre financially under the

- Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 Part 1,s19
- Local Government Act 1972 s144,145 and 133.

12.2 Request for Financial Assistance

Citizens Advice County Durham £200

Resolved to donate through Power of General Competence.

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

RESOLVED that the next Meeting of the Council be scheduled for 16th May 2019 at 7pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

DATE: **Thursday, May 16th 2019.**

CHAIRMAN