



## **Birtley Parish Council**

Minutes of the Meeting of Birtley Parish Council held in the Supper Room of Birtley Village Hall starting at 8.00 pm. on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018

### **03-12-01 Present**

Cllrs EN Coulson (Chairman), SW Crone, DRB Burn, A Lowes, WG White and AR Brotherton.  
Clerk: Robert Macfarlane, County Cllr RM Gibson and two members of the public.

### **03-12-02 Apologies**

None

### **03-12-03 Declaration of Interest**

None

### **03-12-04 Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2018 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

### **03-12-05 Matters Arising**

- **War Memorial** – The Clerk will enquire about cleaning the memorial.
- **Speeding Cars** - County Councillor Gibson confirmed that Birtley could join the County Council Ward Electronic Speed Warning Signs group.

### **03-12-06 Correspondence**

All councillors were circulated with a full list of correspondence. GNAA newsletter, CAN Newsletter, Tynedale Hospice at Home newsletter, CRE newsletter and Sport Tynedale. Nalc, CAN News, CPRE, War Memorial Bulletin

Grant Applications: Tynedale Hospice, Sport Tynedale, GNAA, Core Music, Barnardo's, RBL and CAN

### **03-12-07 Roads**

#### **LTP 2019/20**

Request for total resurfacing of the road from Armstrong Street down to Hindhaugh.

(Part of the road is in Corsenside Parish and part in Birtley)

This is in response to Corsenside Parish Council (West & East Woodburn & Ridsdale) and various complaints from residents living down that way.

### 03-12-08 **Footpaths**

The finger post at the north end of 25 and beginning of 26 (near the site of Holy Well) has fallen over. The style at the end of 23 and start of 24 of the footpath east of village through Town Head. The Clerk will inform ROW Officer Tim Fish.

### 03-12-09 **Reports**

**Village Hall** The Christmas display with the decorated Christmas tree was a coordinated effort with successful results and especial thanks are due to Dean. It was agreed that natural foliage would camouflage the container in which the mowers are stored.

**War Memorial** Clerk to invite quotes to clean it.

**NCC** Cllr Gibson gave a verbal report

**St Gile's Church** There are plans to install a WC

### 03-12-10 **Planning**

**Application18/02317/FUL** - Hall View, Birtley, NE48 3HL. This has been withdrawn.

#### **Listed Building Consent -Residents' Complaints**

A number of complaints have been received about the fence in front of the Manor House. Clerk to check issues around planning permission and listed building consent.

### 03-12-11 **FINANCES**

#### **Approved Payments**

Clerk's salary £240, HMRC £69, Council's Expenses £30.68 (vat £1), Mower Fuel etc £195.22

**Grant Aid** Sport Tynedale £25

**LGA 1972 s137 Payments** GNAA £25 and Tynedale Hospice at Home £25

### 03-12-12 **Budget and Precept**

The DCLG Secretary of State indicated to the national NALC Conference that the capping/referendum regime would not be introduced for parish, town and community councils for the 2019/2020 financial year. The clerk provided an outline budget for the ensuing year. Looking at next year's spending the Council considered grant aid to support the village projects, new audit requirements, FOI implications, website expenditure, cost of repairing the playingfield wall and repairs, running and maintenance of the two grass mowers. The parish's five bench seats need replacing and two picnic benches are required. Grant aid will be sought for these and a leaf container. It was RESOLVED that the precept request be £3,255 for the financial year 2019-2020

### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 8pm in the Supper Room of Birtley Parish Hall

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.30 pm.