

Blakelaw and North Fenham Community Council



Meeting held at:
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Chairperson of Council: John Wears
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MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE HELD: Thursday 11 October 2018

TIME: 6.00 pm

Present:

Councillors: Cllrs John Wears(JW), Rowena Spencer(RS), Ann Keenan(AK), Ann Fullen(AF), Karen Ferry(KF), Violet Rooke(VR), Doreen Jardine(DJ) and James Gill(JG)

In Attendance:

Helen Richardson(HR) – Clerk to the Community Council (minutes)
Cllr Nora Casey – Blakelaw Ward Councillor
Margaret Kilpatrick – Resident
Debbie Playford – Resident
Jean McCartney – Resident
Leanne Risk – Newcastle Community Asset Trust
Gavin Campbell – Blakelaw Club Juniors Football Club
John - Blakelaw Club Juniors Football Club

120/18. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Community Councillors Ron Clarke, Irene Teasdale and Lorraine Birkett

Apologies were also received from Newcastle City Councillors Oskar Avery, Linda Hobson and the Police (sent update via email)

121/18. Declaration of Interests

- Violet Rook – Governor at Thomas Walling School and Governor with the North East Ambulance Service
- Rowena Spencer – Member of the Newcastle Standards Board
- Ann Keenan – Volunteer at Newcastle Community Asset Trust and volunteer at the Credit Union
- Karen Ferry – Board Member of Blakelaw Club Juniors Football Club

- Ann Fullen – Volunteer at Newcastle Community Asset Trust and volunteer at the Credit Union
- James Gill – Member of Newcastle Community Asset Trust
- Doreen Jardine – 165 TARA and Newcastle Community Asset Trust

122/18. Grant Applications

Newcastle Community Asset Trust

Leanne Risk took the Community Council through the application for funding to hold Halloween party. The party would be in partnership with the under 10's football team from Blakelaw Club Juniors.

The Community Council were happy to grant the application in full to the sum of £220.

Blakelaw Flats TARA – Christmas Party/Lunch

A resident took the Community Council through the application for grant funding that would provide a Christmas lunch for the residents of the Blakelaw Flats. All 3 clocks are invited however they usually only have 20-25 residents attend. The school choir also come and sing carols.

The Community Council were happy to grant the application in full to the sum of £350.

Blakelaw Flats TARA – Coach Trip to Harrogate

A resident took the Community Council through the application for their coach trip to Harrogate. They confirmed that the Christmas lights were going to be switched on on the same day. The grant was for the funding of the coach hire which was a 36 seater coach with disabled accesses. Those resident who had carers were able to take them along and a coach this size allowed for varying disabilities.

It was confirmed that it was a different mix of people from those who attended the Christmas lunch.

The Community Council were happy to grant the application in full to the sum of £400.

Update from Blakelaw Club Juniors

Gavin Campbell and John Reilly talked the Community Council through everything that the Football Club had achieved in the last year. The Club continues to go from strength to strength attracting young people from around the area.

123/18. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 13 September 2018 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

124/18. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

125/18. Chairs Report

JW shared his most recent Chair's Report with the Community Council (copy attached). Issues covered were anti-social behaviour, increased social media usage and contact from residents within the area.

126/18. Police Update

The Police were not in attendance but they provided an email update which the Chair read to the meeting.

127/18. Update from Blakelaw Ward Councillors

City Councillor Nora Casey the meeting in relation to issues within the Ward. The Gates to the bunker were discussed and the possibility of the Community Council funding these.

The City Council had confirmed that the CCTV camera on Rawlston Way did in fact work despite residents and the Police believing that it didn't.

Cllr Casey confirmed that the use of railing around Hilton School was still an issue due to funding.

Cllr Casey also handed out a City Learning booklet.

128/18. Sub Committee

Standards Committee – No update.

Communications Group – JW is the chair of this group and updated the Community Council in relation to social media, notice boards, the newsletter was nearly ready and would be due to go out in November, VR continued to update the website and it had had 2300 hits .

Environmental Group – VR updated the Community Council following the October meeting.

Blakelaw Club Football Club Juniors – Update provided earlier in the meeting.

129/18. To Receive Correspondence and Communications

The Clerk confirmed that she had sent out a number of different items of correspondence that should be passed on to those that may be interested in attending.

130/18. To Consider Planning Applications

Planning continued to send through information on planning applications.

131/18. Financial Matters

Bank reconciliation:

As per transactions relating to 14 September – 11 October 2018

Per Bank:		
Account 1		£500.00
Account 2		£47,624.60
	Total	£48,124.60

Less: Payments:

HMRC – October 2018(100549)		£91.00
Helen Richardson – October 2018 Salary(100548)		£454.66
Helen Richardson – Laptop Cover(100548)		£5.00
	Total	£550.66

Closing balance as at 11 October 2018 (account 2)	£47,073.94
Closing balance as at 11 October 2018 (account 1)	£500.00

132/18. Any Other Business

VR shared with the Community Council that she had attended the AGM of NEAS.

JW informed the Community Council that he had prepared a template for business cards. If any Community Councillor wished to have any they just needed to let JW know.

133/18. Date and time of the next meeting

The date and time of the next meeting is 8 November 2018 at 6pm in the Community Room, Moorland House, Moulton Place.