

Woolsington Parish Council

Minutes of a special meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday, 28th March 2018 at 6.30 p.m. at Cheviot Primary School

Present: Councillor G. Pattison (Chairman)
Councillors J. Couchman, B.S. Hunter, L.McGuinness, G.; Pendleton,
J. Robinson and A. Thomas

55. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L. Kennedy, S. Pattison and J. Saberre.

56. Appointment of Clerk to the Council

The members met Mr. Ian Humphries who had applied for the soon to be vacant post of Clerk to the Council. Having discussed Mr. Humphries' application it was

Resolved: That Mr. Ian Humphries be offered the post of Clerk to the Council at a salary of £3920 (point 27 of the NJC Salary Scales) based on 6 hours per week, such appointment to commence on 1st June 2018.

57. Future meetings

Arising out of the discussions with Mr. Humphries it was

Resolved: That with effect from July 2018 future meetings of the Parish Council be held on the second Wednesday in the months of July, September, November, January, March and May.

The meeting adjourned at 6.45 p.m. and resumed at 7.00 p.m. to continue the normal business of the Council

58. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 31st January 2018 were confirmed as a correct record.

59. Accounts for payment

Resolved: That authority be given for the signing of cheques to meet the payments list in the schedule attached to these minutes.

60. Planning matters

The Council noted the planning applications received since the last meeting and the action taken thereon (copy attached to official minutes)

61. Parish Council boundaries

The Clerk reported that the City Council's Constitutional Committee had agreed to undertake a Community Governance Review of the Parish Council boundaries in the Callerton area.

62. Applications for financial assistance

The following applications for financial assistance had been received:

Woolsington Residents Association – Bulb planting
Independent Welfare Advice Services – Running of Advice centre at Simonside Community Centre.

Resolved:

- (1) That a grant of £400.00 be made to the Woolsington Residents Association during the financial year 2018-2019 towards a scheme of bulb planting.
- (2) That the application from the Independent Welfare Advice Services be deferred to enable applications for funding to be made the City Council Ward Committees and other financial bodies who may be able to offer funding.

63. Parish Council vacancies

As no requests had been received this item was deferred.

64. Woolsington Neighbourhood Plan

A detailed report on the progress of the plan had been submitted to Groundwork UK and a new grant application would be submitted to enable the Council to proceed with the next phase of the plan.

65. Risk Assessment

The risk assessment report was noted.

66. Reports of representatives on other bodies.

Councillor Robinson reported on her attendance at a recent meeting of the Newcastle Airport Consultative Committee and drew members' attention to item of interest.

67. Next meeting

Resolved: that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday, 23rd May 2018 at Cheviot Primary School immediately following the Annual Parish meeting.

Chairman _____

Date _____