

Greencroft Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at Lynwood House, Lanchester on
Wednesday 18 November 2015 at 7.30p.m.

Present Mr J Johnson – Chair
Mr C Lee, Mr D Quayle, Mrs V Self and Mrs D Parry

Apologies
Apologies were received from County Councillors Ossie Johnson

154/15 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

155/15 Public Participation

No members of the public were present at the meeting

156/15 Minutes of the last meeting

Resolved - that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 October 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair

157/15 Correspondence

(i) Clerk & Councils Direct – November Newsletter
Resolved - that the Newsletter be received

(ii) Butterwick Hospice – Autumn/Winter newsletter
Resolved - that the newsletter be received

(iii) Parish Councils Committee (PCC)
Resolved - that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 September be received

158/15 Budget and Precept Setting Process - 2016/17

The Clerk submitted a report dealing with the budget and precept for 2016/17. The report included the actual expenditure for 2013/14 and 2014/15; the budget for 2015/16; the probable outturn for 2015/16 and the proposed budget for 2016/17. An update was given on the tax base for 2016/17 which would now be set at 83.0.

The report included details of factors to consider and set out the effect of various options for increasing the precept

Resolved that:

- (i) the report be received
- (ii) the budget be set as outlined in the report with the exception of the budget for the salary of the Clerk being increased to £1,170 and the income being increased to £16
- (iii) the precept for the financial year 2016/17 be set at £3,202.85 representing a 2% increase in the precept and an increase in band D council tax of £0.11 or 0.28%

159/15 Financial Information

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk

Resolved - that the report be received

160/15 Clerk – Hours Worked

Resolved that:

- (i) approval be given for payment for 7½ hours worked in November
- (ii) the Chair to authorise payment for hours to be worked in December in order to calculate the required payment to HMRC

161/15 Accounts for Payment

Resolved - that approval be granted for payments made as follows:

A D Purves Landscaping - Grass Cutting - £428.40

162/15 Chairperson's Announcements

The Chair wished everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year

163/15 Questions from Members

There were no questions from members

164/15 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved - that the next Ordinary meeting of the Council be held in Lynwood House on Tuesday 26 January 2016 at 7.00pm

Meeting ended at 8.15p.m.