Greencroft Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at Lynwood House, Lanchester on Wednesday 29 April 2015 at 7.00p.m.

Present Mr J Johnson – Chair

Mr C Lee, Mrs V Self, Mrs D Parry and Mr D Quayle

Councillor C Burton (observer)

Councillor O Johnson (County Councillor)

Apologies

There were no apologies for absence

53/15 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

54/15 Public Participation

No members of the public were present at the meeting

55/15 Minutes of the last meeting

Resolved - that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 31 March 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair

56/15 Correspondence

- (i) Neighbourhood Warden Report
 - Resolved that:
 - (i) the report for February 2015 be received
 - (ii) the report for March 2015 be received
 - (iii) future reports are distributed to Members by e-mail
- (ii) Parish Councils Committee

Resolved - that the minutes of the last meeting are received

Members discussed the Area Action Partnership Road Safety Task Group and speed limits outside of schools

Resolved - that an e-mail is sent to the Co-ordinator supporting the use of reduced speed limits outside of schools at peak school times

(iii) Willow Burn Hospice – invite to shop opening Resolved - that the invite be received

57/15 Planning Matters

Members received notification of the following planning appeal:

Erection of 1.5 storey 4 bedroom dwellinghouse at stables to the west of Langley Close DM/14/03791/FPA

Resolved - that the information be received

58/15 Northumbrian Water - Water Pressure (min 40/15)

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from Northumbrian Water which stated that a new pressure reducing valve would be installed which it is hoped would alleviate the problems experienced with the water pressure.

Resolved - that the information be received

59/15 Fence around Recreation Area (min 41/15)

Members were informed that the contractor appointed to undertake the works was expected to commence work shortly.

Resolved - that the information be received

60/15 Purchase of a Live Christmas Tree – Recreation Area (min 42/15)

Members were informed that the tree had been delivered and planted and that the invoice for the works had been received.

Resolved that:

- (i) the information be received
- (ii) the payment of £174.00 be approved

61/15 Maintenance of Seats

Members discussed the maintenance of the seats in the recreation area and along Tower Road.

Resolved - that a letter is sent to Lanchester Parish Council asking if they can undertake the repairs of the seats identified

62/15 Registration as a Data Controller

Members were informed that the annual registration fee was due for payment

Resolved - that the annual registration of £35.00 be paid

63/15 Promoting Smoke-free Play Areas

Members were informed that the County Council had now launched this scheme and would supply an initial stock of vinyl signs to support the scheme free of charge. The Parish Council agreed to display signs at the recreation area supporting this scheme.

Resolved that:

- (i) the information be received
- (ii) a supply of free vinyl signs are requested and displayed

64/15 Public Filming, Recording or Reporting at Council or Committee Meetings Policy

Members considered the policy

Resolved - that the policy be adopted

65/15 Insurance Renewal 2015 / 16

Resolved - that the insurance premium of £225.25 for 2015 / 16 be approved

66/15 Financial Year 2014/15 – End of Year Accounts

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk

Resolved that:

- (i) the Council accept the financial position for the end of year
- (ii) the Council accept for certification the Annual Return Accounting Statement and the Annual Return Annual Governance Statement
- (iii) the assets register be amended to include 4 x seats at a value of £100.00

67/15 Financial Information

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk **Resolved** - that the report be received

68/15 Clerk – Hours Worked

Resolved - that approval be given for payment for 15½ hours worked in April

69/15 Accounts for Payment

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

Lanchester Community Centre P Robinson - Christmas Tree - £18.10

Zurich - Room Hire - £18.10

- Christmas Tree - £174.00

- Annual Insurance - £225.25

Information Commissioner - Data Protection Registration - £35.00

70/15 Chairperson's Announcements

There were no announcements

71/15 Questions from Members

There were no questions from members

72/15 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved - that the next Ordinary meeting of the Council be held in Lynwood House on Tuesday 26 May 2015 following the Parish Meeting and Annual General Meeting at 7.00pm

Meeting ended at 8.05 p.m.