

Upper Denton Parish Council (PC)

Minutes of a PC meeting held on Thursday 23rd October 2017

Present

Parish Councillors: - B. Lyons, D. Newrick (Chairman) & W. Makepeace (Vice-Chairman)

Other: - S. Bowman (City Councillor) & F. Nugent (Clerk)

Absent: - L. Fisher (County Councillor)

The meeting opened with Newrick in the Chair

1. Opening Remarks

Newrick welcomed those present to the meeting

2. Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

No apologies for absence were received. There were no Declarations of Interest

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 10th August 2017

These were agreed as a true and correct record and signed as such by Newrick

4. Matters arising from the meeting held on 10th August 2017

- a. **Telephone Mast** – Nothing has been heard since the last meeting and work has not yet started
- b. **PC Vacancies** – Still a complete lack of interest
- c. **Merger with Waterhead PC** – Ian Dixon from the City Council has said that this cannot proceed until the Boundary Commission has finished its work on redefining the Cumbrian Constituencies. It was felt that this should not be the case as both Parishes will be in the new Carlisle Constituency. Newrick will contact Ian Dixon to try and push the matter forward
- d. **Hall Terrace** – Still no response from the County Council. Newrick to put the matter on the Highways Hotline again
- e. **Road Gullies** – As with Hall Terrace. Newrick will now put all the blocked Parish gullies on the Highways Hotline
- f. **Parking Outside the School** – There has been a visit from a Police Community Support Officer however not much has changed and there are still difficulties at school drop off and pick up times
- g. **People Counters** – From 1st April to 1st October 2017 there have been 36K users through Willowford and 31K under the railway arch. No reading yet from the two new sets of counters
- h. **Over Denton Churchyard** – A planning application is expected for the renovation work on the Bastle House
- i. **Vehicles Speeding Through the Village** – No further work has been done on this
- j. **Joining TVRUG** – We are now a member of TVRUG and our £10 annual subscription has been paid
- k. **Larger / Additional Waste Bin for the Car Park** – Newrick has not yet contacted the City Council. Bowman said that new bins were not been issued and the only way to get one is to find one that is not currently being used

5. Correspondence that has not been Circulated

- a. **28/09/17 RAF Spadeadam** – Asking if we were going to promote the 100th anniversary of the RAF. Agreed to discuss at the next meeting

6. Reports

- a. **Buses** – Nothing new to report
- b. **COGS** – The temporary station idea failed to get off the ground. Instead a permanent station is being pursued. However, Northumberland County Council will have to provide the funding to take the matter forward
- c. **County** – No report due to Fisher's absence

- d. **City** – Bowman reported that the City Council have been asked to put another £80L into a central Carlisle cycle track. At the moment it is not known where the money will come from
- e. **PC Councillors** – No additional reports

7. Finance

- a. **Accounts for the period 1st April 2017 to date** – These were agreed and signed by Newrick
- b. **Payments Received Since the Last Meeting** - None
- c. **It was agreed to make the following Payments**

	Payee	Reason for Payment	Amount
i.	Gilsland Methodist Church	2016 Room Hire	£60.00
ii.	F.J. Nugent	Clerk's Six Months' Net Salary	£200.00
iii.	HMRC	PAYE on Clerk's Six Months' Salary	£50.00

- d. **Account Balance** - **£3843.57** credit balance at the start of the meeting and **£3533.57** after the above agreed payments

8. 2017/18 Precept

Agreed at £1216, the same as this year

9. Boundary Commission Report

Newrick reported that as stated at item **4(b)** the only change that will affect us is the Parish will transfer the Penrith and the Borders Constituency to the Carlisle Constituency

10. Item for the Next Meeting – No items were given

11. Next Meeting – 6:30pm on Thursday 8th February 2018 in the Methodist Chapel Room

Minutes prepared by

Signed as a true and correct record

Frank Nugent
Clerk to the PC
4th November 2017

Dan Newrick
Chairman
8th February 2018