

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SEATON WITH SLINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 JULY 2018

**Present: Councillor A Slater (Chair)
Councillors A Blacklock, A Foots, S McAuliffe
and H Middlemiss**

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Haddick, A Taylor, D Temple, J Theobald, A Vila and S Williams.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3 POLICE

The Clerk reported that since the last meeting the following had been reported.

- Diesel stolen from vehicles parked overnight at Seaham Grange Industrial Estate.
- A speeding vehicle at Haverley House Farm caused a horse to lose control which resulted in the person walking the horse sustaining minor injuries.
- Off- road bikes on the slip road leaving A19 onto Seaton Lane with no lights.
- Male looking into window on Sharpley Drive, claimed he was looking for scrap.
- Abandoned Mercedes on Seaton Lane, a Police check confirmed it was fully insured.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

4 THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING held on 20 June 2018 a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were approved and signed by the Chair.

5 CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Letter of Thanks

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter of thanks from Seaton Community Association.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

(2) Seaham Town Council

The Clerk reported the receipt of an invitation to a strawberry cream tea on 25 July 2018.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

6 PLANNING

Application - DM/18/00892/FPA – Retention of detached outbuilding at Windy Ridge, Seaton Lane, Seaton, Seaham, Co Durham SR7 OLS for Mr D Wilson

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting further clarification was sought on this application, details of which were outlined to Members.

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RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

7 CLERKS REPORT

(1) Fencing

The Clerk reported that Members had previously agreed to fence from the corner at the junction of Hillrise Crescent and the B1404 up to the entrance to Seaton Grove.

Members were advised that following a request from residents to extend the fencing up to The Poplars Durham County Council were asked to provide a quotation. The Clerk advised that to supply and install an additional 20m of fencing was £760.00 plus VAT.

RESOLVED that the quotation from Durham County Council be accepted.

(2) Information Commissioner's Office – Registration

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council was registered with the Information Commissioner's Office. The annual fee, if paid by Direct Debit was £35.00.

RESOLVED that the annual fee of £35.00 be paid via Direct Debit.

(3) Seaton Crescent

The Clerk reported that the Chair had met with residents from Seaton Crescent and Durham County Council to discuss problems related to vehicles mounting the kerb on the tight corners and churning up the grass at Seaton Crescent.

The Chair advised that Durham County Council would not fund the work. It was suggested that subject to cost the Parish Council may be able to finance for the work either in one financial year or over a period of 2 financial years. The County Council had been asked to provide a quotation to undertake the work and re-charge the Parish Council.

RESOLVED that information given, be noted and further developments be awaited.

(4) Walkway

(i) Information Sign

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting Durham County Councils Countryside Team, who were responsible for the walkway, were asked to inspect the sign on the walkway as it was an eyesore.

(ii) Additional Litter/Dog Bin

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting Durham County Council was asked to install an additional bin at the entrance to the walkway heading towards Ryhope.

(iii) Motorbikes

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting the Police were advised of the motorbikes on the walkway and had agreed to monitor where possible.

(iv) Barrier

The Clerk reported that it had been suggested that a barrier, which allowed access to horses, cyclists and pedestrians but prevented access to quad bikes be installed on the walkway.

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Members were advised that the request had been forwarded to Durham County Councils Countryside Team.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

(5) Missing Litter Bin – Seaton Lane

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting Durham County Council were asked to replace the missing pole mounted bin next to the bus stop on the B1404 Seaton Lane.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

(6) Public Footpath No 1

The Clerk reported that Durham County Council had been asked to inspect and prune back the overhanging trees and bushes on Public Footpath No 1.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

8 PAYMENTS

CHQ NO	PAYMENT TO	DETAIL	COST	VAT	TOTAL
100408	HMRC	PAYE - July 2018	114.00		114.00
100409	Payroll	Wages - July 2018	455.57		455.57
100410	A Slater	Reimbursements	25.98	5.20	31.18
100411	JACS Accountancy Limited	Payroll Services - July 2018	8.00	1.60	9.60
100412	Durham County Council	Grass cutting and servicing of litter/ dog bins	1,168.12	233.62	1,401.74
		TOTAL	1,771.67	240.42	2,012.09

RESOLVED that the payments listed be endorsed.

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Thank you to Residents

The Chair once again thanked residents for their assistance with grounds maintenance in the village. During the recent dry weather residents had taken it upon themselves to help out with the watering of bedding plants and tending to trees and bushes.

RESOLVED that the Parish Councils thanks and appreciation be placed on record.

10 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Wednesday 5 September 2018 at 6.15pm.

..... Signed

..... Dated