**North Gosforth Parish Council**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of North Gosforth Parish Council held in St Aidan’s Community Centre, Brunton Park on Wednesday 15 May 2019

Present: Councillors Agnew, Cooke, Duell, Hay, Loftus, Mears and Phillipson

 and Robinson

In attendance: I Humphries - Clerk

 Councillor Down - Newcastle City Council

 Councillor Morrissey - Newcastle City Council

 Group Scout Leader - Brunton Scout Group

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| **1.** | **Apology for absence**There were no apologies for absence. |
| **2.** | **Appointment of Chair** |
|  |  **Resolved:** That Councillor Agnew be appointed Chair of the Parish  Council for the ensuing Municipal year. |
| **3.** | **Appointment of Vice Chair** |
|  |  **Resolved:** That Councillor Cooke be appointed Vice Chair of the  Parish Council for the ensuing Municipal year. |
| **4.** | **Minutes** |
|  | The minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2019 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair. |
| **5.** | **Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting*** The changes to the 46A bus service had improved travel in the early morning. It was also noted that some buses were travelling too fast along South Bend.
* Anti Social Behaviour in the area was being addressed.
* The Gilwell Way fence had now been repaired.
* Re-seeding had taken place and was being monitored.
* A new Speed-Watch volunteer had been found.
* Road marking was needed in many streets in the area.
* Concern was expressed regarding the new double yellow lining on the GNR service road. Residents had objected, and no-one could recall the Notice being put up regarding the necessary Traffic Order.
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| **6.** | **Financial Matters** |
| **7.** | 1. **Annual Governance Statement 2016/2017 (Section 1)**

 **Resolved:** That the Annual governance statement submitted to  this meeting for the year ended 31st March 2019 be  approved.1. **Statement of Accounts 2017/2018 (Section 2)**

 The Clerk submitted the statement of accounts and copies of the trial balance for the year ended 31st March 2019. **Resolved:** That the statement of accounts for the year ended 31st  March 2019 as submitted be approved. 1. **Accounts for payment**

The following payments were approved -Robertson – Standing Order £453.10Clerk - Standing Order £320.00HMRC £80.00**Correspondence** Members were reminded to complete and return Declaration of interest forms. |
| **8.****9.** | **Planning Matters**The Parish Council was consulted on the following issues and made the decisions indicated **2019/0554/01/DET**  42 and 44 The Fairway. (No.42) **No Objection** Erection of single storey extension  to side and rear following demolition  of existing garage.  (No.44) Erection of hip to gable roof  extension and dormer to rear, single  storey extensions to side and rear  **2019/0525/01/LDC** 47 Netherwitton Way. Lawful **Noted** Development Certificate for a  proposed single storey extension  to rear**2019/0520/DET** 4 Dukes Drive:Erection of single **No Objection** storey extension to side and rear  following demolition of existing  conservatory. **Other Issues*** It was noted that a TRO was advertised to enable works to Great North Road from 27 May.
* The Community Centre AGM was to be held on 26 June.
* There was an arm missing from the seat on Lincoln Green.
* The path on the GNR was not being used, with pedestrians preferring the cycleway because it had a smoother surface.
* The City Council was reviewing the distribution of litter bins across the city.
* Councillor Morrissey undertook to action overgrown hedges covering the footpath in Arden Avenue and South Bend/Princess Road.
* Members were concerned at the poor state of the grass cutting along Great North Road with no strimming of grass arounf the railing posts. Thistles were also growing on the Polwarth roundabout.
* It was suggested that the grass at the top of Greenfield be included in the Robertson contract.
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| **10.** | **Date of next meeting** |
|  | **Agreed** that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 19 June 2019 at 7.00pm in St Aiden’s Community Centre, Brunton Park. |
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