

At a Meeting of  
**WHORLTON AND WESTWICK**  
**PARISH COUNCIL**

On Tuesday 26th July 2016, 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllr Lucy Hoskyns-Abrahall (acting Chairwoman), Cllr Roger Foster, Cllr Colin Cummins, Cllr Trevor Honeyman, Cllr Ian Wilkinson, Cllr George Stastny

**Apologies:** Cllr Martin Saville

**Clerk:** Jonathan Dickinson

**Members of the public at the meeting:**  
Members of the public were in attendance.

**The Chairwoman invited public comments:**  
There were none.

**1 Interests**

Cllr George Stastny declared an interest in item 3.

**2 Minutes of Meeting 19.07.2016**

The minutes were approved, and the acting Chairwoman signed the minutes.

**3 Planning Applications in respect of Whorlton Croft (DM/16/02166/LB for Listed Building Consent for single storey extension, demolition of outbuildings and chimney; and, DM/16/02274/FPA for a single storey extension, demolition of outbuildings and chimney)**

The Councillors considered the above planning applications.

RESOLVED: to state no objections to the applications.

**4 Planning Applications Arising (if any)**

The Clerk presented details of planning application DM/16/01917/FPA at Arlaw Banks.

RESOLVED: to state no objections to the application.

**5 County Plan Consultation**

There was a brief discussion of the County Durham Plan but the Parish Council did not agree upon a joint response to the consultation.

**6 Transfer of Land from Danshell: Form TP1 for consideration and approval**

The Clerk presented the draft TP1 for approval.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk seek a minor amendment of the restrictive covenants, to see if they could be made less restrictive by the following wording: "Not to use any part of the Blue Land at any time for any purpose other than as a public outdoor children's playground or a public outdoor general recreational area..." at clause 12.8.1.

**7 State of Play Area**

The Councillors were asked to consider whether any attempt should be made to tidy up the

Play Area.

RESOLVED: that no action should be taken to tidy up the Play Area.

**8 Possible vermin at 4 and 6 Grange Terrace**

The Councillors considered a complaint from the public that there might be vermin at the above unoccupied addresses.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk write to Durham County Council and report a possible vermin infestation, and that the general state of disrepair of these listed buildings might warrant intervention.

**9 Matters Not Requiring a Resolution**

The Clerk reported progress of the correspondence with Carter in connection with the pub residential development.

The Clerk raised an issue on behalf of a member of the public that the difficult corner of the village green near the church be covered with gravel, and it was agreed that this should go on the agenda for next time.

A councillor asked for an agenda item in connection with the procedure for dealing with planning applications.

The Clerk reported that the request for traffic calming measures to counter speeding on the approach to Whorlton from the north, had been turned down by Durham County Council on the ground that it was not of sufficient priority to divert resources from more dangerous roads. The acting chairwoman asked the Clerk to find out the cost of installing a speed restriction sign.

**Date for the next Parish Council Meeting:**

20<sup>th</sup> September 2016

There being nothing further to discuss the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

20<sup>th</sup> September 2016, Chair .....