

GREATER WILLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting
19th July 2022

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Henfrey, Councillor Berry, Councillor Elgie
Councillor McArdle, Councillor Jordan, Councillor Tinsley
Councillor Jackson,
Helen Cogdon, Town Clerk (TC) (minutes)

1. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies from Councillor Smith, Councillor Savage, Councillors Charles and Dorothy Hales, County Councillor Gunn, Emma McCann.
Councillor Berry Chaired the meeting.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interest in matters appearing on the agenda and the nature of their interest.

Members are reminded to update their Declaration of personal and prejudicial interest register as and when required, and as soon as is reasonably possible.
None received

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Residents agenda items requested through the Clerk

None received.

**4. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING 14th June 2022
MATTERS ARISING (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)**

Matters Arising

Any matters arising will be covered in reports.

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 14th June 2022 as written and circulated were approved as a true record.

Proposed Councillor Jordan

Seconded Councillor Elgie

**5. CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND UPDATE ON PLANNING
DECISIONS**

New Planning Applications

DM/22/00885/FPA – Resubmission. Stockley View, Stockley Lane, Oakenshaw - Conversion of lambing shed to single dwelling and engineering works to create lower ground floor, new access road, install ground source heat pumps and Klargestar package sewage treatment plant, and create 3 ponds (part retrospective) Pending Consideration.

DM/22/01284/FPA - 8 Prospect Place, Sunnybrow - Proposed first floor extension to side and two-story rear extension with roof terrace and single-story living room extension. Pending Consideration.

DM/22/01854/FPA – Finchale House, Laburnum Gardens, Willington – Removal of existing brick, timber and glass outbuilding and replace with brick garage. Pending Consideration.

DM/22/01692/FPA - 11 Hall Lane Estate Willington – Proposed two storey extension. Pending Consideration.

DM/22/01632/FPA - Chantel Hall Lane Estate Willington - Proposed extension and first floor extension to existing bungalow. Pending Consideration.

Previous Planning Application Decisions

DM/22/01232/TPO - 16 Church View, Willington - Crown reduce and reshape by 2.5m, remove epicormic growth on lower stem, remove major deadwood to 1 No. Sycamore tree. Approved 14/06/2022

DM/22/01153/FPA - Unit 9, Brockwell Court, Low Willington Industrial Estate, Willington - Change of use from industrial use to dog grooming (sui generis use) Approved 13/06/2022

6. TO RECEIVE THE ALLOTMENT REPORT

Councillor Berry said;

The allotment awards had been decided with the Clerk and the awards would be made at the September meeting.

There are continuing problems with Plot 1 Park Top remaining birds. Some in hot boxes some with no water.

The under cultivation letters are to be sent to tenants across the three sites.

A notice to remind tenants to close the gates is suggested for all sites.

The Council has received complaints about dogs on Plot 1 Oakenshaw and fencing off of the field.

7. TO RECEIVE THE TOWN COUNCILLORS MONTHLY REPORT

Councillor Jackson said the Miners Banner had been carried the wrong way round at the Miners Gala.

Councillor Tinsley said it was purchased by Thompsons 20 years ago. It will cost 12k to buy a new banner.

Councillor Elgie said there has been more anti-social behaviour at the Hub. The Bingo meets 7pm – 9 pm on Wednesdays.

Councillor Henfrey said the hedge at the Cold Storage needs trimming.

Project Updates

Jubilee Weekend

The feedback from the Jubilee Family Fun Day Picnic in The Park and Beacon Lighting was very positive. Residents have said they would like more of these events and offered to work with GWTC to help plan and organise activities.

Home and Away

The next Away Day is to Stockeld Park on the 30th July 2022.

Refurbishment Update

The back door is to be replaced.
The front door and cctv are next on the schedule.

8. TO RECEIVE THE COUNTY COUNCILLORS MONTHLY REPORT

Councillor Tinsley said there is a full council meeting next week.
The County Councillors are still monitoring the Spectrum. They now have permission to proceed with the demolition. The fencing is causing problems.

The Levelling Up Fund is to include Willington, Crook and Tow Law.

Work has been undertaken to build up the Master Plan. It will focus on the Coop area, footpaths and the Railway Line. There is 12 million available Councillor Tinsley expects a 6 million allocation.

Meetings with have been held with the police to look at youth provision and Anti-Social Behaviour.

Community Resilience Fund is waiting to be signed off.

9. TO APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION (June 2022)

The Clerk said.
The Council entered into June 2022 with a starting balance of £104,869.05
There was £11,389.24 spent and £3,88.49 received leaving an end balance of £96,668.30.
Proposed Councillor Henfrey
Seconded Councillor Berry

10. TO APPROVE THE BUDGET REPORT (June 2022)

The Clerk said there has been expenditure £32,732.46 leaving an available resource on budget of £85,263.54
Councillor Tinsley asked if the items in the project notes had been spent. The Clerk said CCTV will be higher. Planting is the payment to the Environment group. CAB has not yet been requested. The Clerk will have to check on the Pantomime.
Proposed Councillor Elgie
Seconded Councillor Henfrey

11. TO CONSIDER COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATIONS

None received

12. TO CONSIDER CIVIC FUND APPLICATIONS

None received.

13. TO CONSIDER THE CONTINUANCE OF PREVIOUS SPONSORSHIP

The Council has resolved to sponsor the Leek Club Show over the last few years. The Clerk asked if members would like to formalise this on an annual basis.
This was agreed.

Resolved 1. To sponsor the Leek Club Show on an annual basis.

14. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

13th September 2022 at 6pm