

## Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at 7.30 on May 21st, 2018 in Blindcrake Village Hall

- 1) **To receive apologies for absence:** None
- 2) **Chairman's Report:** Attached. Andy also thanked Mike Gates for his efforts re Broadband in Sunderland.
- 3) **Matters for Discussion:** None

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- 1) **To receive apologies for absence:** None
- 2) **Election of Chairperson:** Andy Prickett, proposed James Gate, Seconded Allan Purvis. Carried unanimously.
- 3) **Election of Vice Chairperson:** Ros Berry, Proposed Andy Prickett, Seconded Sue Buckwell. Carried unanimously.
- 4) **Election of internal Auditor;** John Thompson: Proposed Martin Corfield, seconded Ros Berry. Carried unanimously.
- 5) **The Chair and Vice Chair to sign their acceptance of office for 2018-2019**

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### **Apologies:**

1. **Minutes of the March 2018 meeting.** The Chairman signed the minutes of the Parish Council meeting as a true record of that meeting.
2. **Members to declare any interests they may have in any item on the agenda;** Joe Marrs, pipeline.
3. **Adjournment of meeting: The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow parishioners an opportunity to ask questions and raise matters of interest.** None.
4. **Maintenance and Matters of Report**
  - a) **UU Pipe Line:** United Utilities and contractors attended the meeting to update the council on progress with the traffic management plan. Concern was expressed at the length of time the Ghyll road was going to be closed and the need for the road to be open for the Garden Safari. AP
  - b) **Highways Issues:** It seems that the Lillyhall office is barely coping –The Clerk got a reply a Saturday to an email sent on February 15<sup>th</sup>. The girl in charge in road closing orders just does have time to get the orders out to Parishes – hence nothing as to why the Back Lonning is to be closed. The edges of the Ghyll road had been filled with soil rather than gravel. The soil will wash away. GF
  - c) **Broadband:** The results of the survey in Sunderland were returned and that would help with funding. The situation for Isel and Old park was more difficult as there were a few widely spread properties. Would it be possible to use the pipeline ducting? AP
  - d) **The Green – Drainage:** no update. AP
  - e) **Speed limit in Blindcrake:** Highways would install a counter in the village shortly with a decision to be made in the summer. MC
  - f) Village Hall, nominations of our rep on the hall trustees. Ros Berry agreed to continue in the post.

- g) Future of the pound: **Marissa Soppitt has got some of the lads from the village to clear it and would like to add some astro turf.** She has approached the Children’s Committee for the use of their remaining funds but may need more from the Parish.
  - h) **Data Protection:** We would have to register and pay an annual fee of £35 even though we do not hold any date.  
GF
  - i) **Suspected pollution of Sunderland Gill** observed at Beckgrains Bridge. No evidence yet but it will be monitored. AP
  - j) **Recycling collections in Isel and Sunderland:** Allerdale BC cannot access Sunderland and Isel as their vehicles are too large for the roads and access to properties. There are recycling facilities at Linskeldfield. SB
  - k) **Grass cutting:** Some villagers are concerned that the cut is not even, making it very “stripy” and the area under the seat at the well has not been cut  
GF
  - l) **Face Book Page:** The Clerk said that he felt he spent too much time replying to posts. It was agreed that he did not need to do so.  
MC
5. **Planning Matters:** The Clerk noted that when plans were circulated we could add an option of “supported”

**6. Financial Matters:**

- a) Current financial position circulated
- b) Payment for the annual insurance £84.00 Agreed
- c) Payment for CALC affiliation £84.14 Agreed
- d) Approval of our Governance statement Agreed
- e) Agreement that we do not require an external auditor. Agreed
- f) Approval of the annual accounts Agreed
- g) The Clerk apologised for making an error in the precept application for 2018/19 in that he had used the half yearly figure rather than the full year figure. However, Allerdale had agreed that we can recoup the figure in the next financial year.

**Future agenda items and dates of future meetings:**

Dates for 2018

July 16<sup>th</sup>

September 17<sup>th</sup>

November 19<sup>th</sup>

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_